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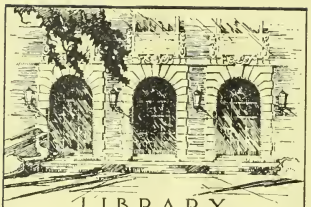

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Prepared by its Pastor, Wm. Edwin Darrow -

List of the Present Officers of the Church and of its Societies
List of Pastors, Deacons, Trustees, Clerks, etc., since the beginning of the Organization.
Membership list - The entire membership from the beginning, with the time of each Member's admission and dismission, so far as recorded.

These are valuable features of a published record and they will be furnished SOON for each Subscriber to the publication now being issued. When ready they will be sent in form so as to be readily inserted in place provided for them at the back of each book.

The Pastor had hoped to have everything ready in time for the Ninetieth Anniversary Celebration, Jan. 8-11, 1931, but the work of preparation - specially of the tabulation of names and figures yet to be done - will take more time and effort than at first estimated. Already, much time has been given to the work now put into form for distribution.

If each recipient of a copy of the "History" will leave with the Pastor his or her name, the additional material will be forwarded at the earliest opportunity. And when received it should be inserted AT ONCE in the place provided for it. Such ADDENDA to the "History" will make it still more valuable for reading and reference.

W. E. Darrow

PASTOR

Bunker Hill, Ill.
January 8, 1931.

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P R O G R A M

COMMUNITY AND DENOMINATIONAL NIGHT ---- JANUARY 8

7:00 P.M. Singing-"Praise Him,praise Him." (19)-Congregation
Invocation-Rev.C.J.Rives,
Pastor of Congregational Church,City
7:40 " " Singing-"All the Way my Saviour" (130) Congregation
Scripture Lesson-I Cor.III. 8-13,19-23
Rev. Otto R.Buess, Pastor of the
Schutz Memorial M.E. Church,City.
7:50 " " Music - Choir
8:00 " " Announcements and a brief History of the Church-
Rev. Wm.Edwin Darrow, Pastor of the Church
8:15 " " Singing-"Faith of Our Fathers." (256) Congregation
8:20 " " Address- "The Church and the Association."
Rev. A.R. Pixley, Pastor of the First
Baptist Church,Edwardsville,Ill.
8:40 " " Address- "The Church and Education."
Rev. George Nelson Stevenson,A.M.,
Professor of English Literature,
Shurtleff College,Alton,Ill.
9:00 " " Singing- "How Firm A Foundation." (227) Congregation
9:05 " " Greetings from Dr.G.P.Mitchell,President George M.
Potter of Shurtleff College, Dr.N.J.Hilton
and others.
9:35 " " Singing Benediction

DINNER - Friday,January 9,1931- 12:00 Noon- Prompt

For members of the Church and congregation -and invited guests- The Fellowship meeting will follow directly after.Reading of letters - Greetings from members and guests- A talk by Dr.G.P. Mitchell. Remarks by the Pastor.

ANNIVERSARY SERMON -Sunday,January 11-10:45 A.M.
Sermon by Rev. G.P.Mitchell,D.D.,of Des Moines,Iowa.
A former Pastor of the Church and for some years,Executive Secretary of the Iowa Baptist Convention. -- Theme of Sermon-
"The Church of the Living God,the Pillar and Ground of the Truth"

The Church was organized January 10,1841. Rev.John M.Peck preached the Recognition sermon.

It was re-organized March 25,1858. Rev.J.Bulkley, then of Carrollton,Ill; Rev. D.P.French of Jerseyville and Rev.Elijah Dodson of Belleville helped in the re-organization.

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The first movement for the organization of a Baptist Church at Bunker Hill was at a meeting of individuals, members of Baptist Churches, held at Bunker Hill on December 22, 1840. At that meeting James M. Cooper was chairman and Solomon H. Davis Clerk.

On motion of N.H. Flanagan, Avolin Church, Johnathan Huggins and Charles Johnson, Sr. were appointed by the chair a committee on Articles and Practice for adoption by the meeting. The committee reported in favor of Articles of Faith and Practice approved and used by the Baptist Church of Troy, New York. These were unanimously adopted, except that the second verse of the first chapter of First Peter was added after the word "hence." It was also decided to invite a Council for Recognition to meet on Saturday, January 9, 1841, the Alton, Upper Alton, Brighton, Woodburn and Paddock's Prairie Churches being invited to send their Pastors and delegates to aid in constituting such church, "the Council to convene at half-past two."

The Council met on the day and date named in its call and "after a short and appropriate discourse from Rev. A. Dodge," organized with "Rev. R. Kimball as Mod. and Wm. H. Briggs as Clerk."

Delegates-

Upper Alton-Rev. R. Kimball and Wm. H. Briggs
Brighton- Rev. A. Dodge and G. D. Combs
Woodburn- F. Long, J. Walker, D. Latrell, A. Miner and Johnathan Huggins
Carrollton- J. Rider and James Budden

Rev. J.M. Peck being present, also participated in the deliberations of the Council.

After "full hearing and deliberating" the Council unanimously approved the Organization, and decided to meet the next day for its recognition.

That evening the Conference of prospective members was called together, with Rev. R. Kimball as Moderator and Solomon H. Davis as Clerk, to choose Deacons that they might be ordained on the morrow. N.H. Flanagan and Avolin Church were chosen.

At the Recognition Service the next morning (Sunday, January 10), Rev. J.M. Peck "preached from First Peter, second chapter and ninth verse, after which the Church was constituted in the following order. Prayer by Rev. R. Kimball. Hand of fellowship by Rev. Wm. H. Briggs. Address to the Church and congregation by Rev. A. Dodge." Then followed the ordination of Deacons. Prayer by Rev. J.M. Peck. Laying on of hands by Rev. R. Kimball and Rev. A. Dodge. Benediction by Rev. J.M. Peck. "The services throughout the day were solemn and interesting; the congregation large and attentive." "Blest be the tie that binds" was sung. It was followed by shaking of hands. Revds R. Kimball was Moderator and Wm. H. Briggs, Clerk.

There were twenty constituent members, as follows:- Avolin Church, Mari Church, Elizabeth Cooper, James M. Cooper, Solomon H. Davis, Elizabeth S. Flanagan, Mariah S. Flanagan, Noah H. Flanagan, Abagail R. Johnson, Charles Johnson, Sr., David P. Kelsey, Almira McGilvary, Catherine McGilvary, Christiana McGilvary, Johnson McGilvary, Willis McGilvary, Abagail A. Pettengail, Rosella E. Pomeroy, Daniel Rice and Sarah Wright.

That evening, at a Special Church Meeting, Solomon H. Davis was elected Church Clerk. Noah H. Flanagan, Solomon H. Davis and Avolin Church were selected as a committee on Ministerial supply.

At the meeting in February 1841, Wm.H.Briggs, a licentiate of the Upper Alton Church, was invited to preach to the Church two Sabbaths in each month, which invitation was accepted. On the next day, Sunday, February 7, the Lord's Supper was administered by Elder Terry of Alton.

The Church, on May 1, voted to apply for membership in the Edwardsville Baptist Association, "Wm.H.Briggs to assist the clerk in preparation of the letter." Brothers Briggs, Flanagin, Church and Davis were selected as delegates, the clerk "to insert in the letter the names of those only that will attend. Association invited to meet with the Church the next year." It was "voted to make it a standing Rule of the Church to take up a collection at every Communion season to defray the incidental expenses of the Church."

Prof. Newman of Shurtleff College delivered an address on June 26, after which, it was voted "to call Bro.Briggs to ordination as pastor of the Church."

On July 24 Brother Wm.H.Briggs was received by letter from the Alton Church, Deacon Church extending the Right Hand of fellowship. At that meeting arrangements were made for the convening of a Council to meet with the Church on the 21st day of August, next, "for the purpose of attending to said ordination."

The ordination Council met as arranged. Delegates:- Upper Alton-Rev. Ebenezer Rodgers; Rev. Washington Leverett; Hiram A. Gardner; Elias Hibbard and Alvin Olcott. Alton-City- Rev. Gideon B. Perry; Wm. Hayden and John Higham. Woodburn- Rev. G.B.Davis; W.H.D.Johnson. Brighton-Rev. Amos Dodge; J.L.Combs and Thomas Jones. After thorough examination as to his Christian experience, call to Ministry and views of Christian theology "the Council then resolved to ordain Bro.Briggs according to the wishes of the Church. Rev. Ebenezer Rodgers, Mod., and Elias Hibbard, Clerk. At 2 o'clock occurred the ordination service. Singing. Prayer by Rev. Geo.B. Davis. Sermon by Rev. G.B.Perry from 1st Tim.4:16. Ordaining prayer by Rev. E.Rodgers. Charge by Rev. Washington Leverett. Right hand of fellowship by Rev. G.B.Davis. Address to the Church by Rev. A.Dodge. Concluding prayer by Rev. G.B.Davis. Benediction by Bro.Briggs.

At the Business Meeting Sept.18, the Pastor was granted a few weeks leave of absence. Nov.13- Daniel Rice, N.H.Flanagan and A.Church were made a Standing Committee on Ministerial supply. Dec.11- Bro.Briggs continued as Pastor, "the Church to support preaching one-half the time the coming year."

In 1842 - April 30-The Pastor was requested to prepare Annual Letter to the Edwardsville Association. A Church, N.H. Flanagan, C.Johnson, Sr. and James Cooper selected as Messengers. Sept.17- The Pastor appointed delegate to the Illinois Baptist Convention at Springfield. Oct.15- A committee appointed to visit delinquent members. Dec.13- Annual Church Meeting. The Deacons a committee on Ministerial supply.

In 1843- April 30- Clerk to write letter to the Edwards - ville Association. E.Shepherd, N.H.Flanagan and Geo.W.Fox select- ed as Messengers. One dollar for Minutes. Aug.19 - Rev.Geo. B. Davis added to the committee on Ministerial supply. Rev. W.H. Briggs dismissed by letter. Rev.G.B.Davis granted a traveling letter of recommendation.

The Minutes of 1844 indicate that the Church had been hold- ing its meetings in the Congregational House of Worship, a union choir singing for both congregations and that the hymn-book in use was not satisfactory to the Baptist people, at least to some. "The Psalmist" was approved at a church meeting on February 3, March 30 - N.H.Flanagan, E. Shepherd and S.H.Davis selected as Mess- engers to the Association, the clerk to write the Annual Letter. Sept.21- Three dollars appropriated for Association Minutes.

On Jan.5, 1845 Rev. G.B.Davis was called as pastor. Arrange- ment made as to salary.

In 1846 - Jan.1- Annual Meeting. Committee on Ministerial supply.-G.B.Davis, N.H.Flanagan and J.Burton. March 14- Voted to co-operate with Woodburn Church in obtaining the labors of Pres. Sherwood as pastor, a suitable salary to be paid by the Church. May 16 - N.H.Flanagan, S.H.Davis, Charles Parmeter and J.Burton selected as Messengers to the Association. C.Johnson and A.Church added to the Standing Committee of the Church.

In 1847- Jan.23- Voted to hold meeting every 4th Saturday as formerly. May 16- Letter to the Association authorized. Elder James and Joseph Burton selected as Messengers. Money for Minutes, $ 1.20. Oct.2- Lament on account of low state of Zion. Members of the Church urged to "spend a short time of each day in praying to God that He would revive His work."

In 1848- May 13- Pastor to prepare letter to the Assoc - iation. Dilliard, Johnson, Davis and Church selected as Messengers to the Association. P.C.Knowlton, J.S.Flanagan and H.Johnson "to prepare shade and seats at the house for the accommodation of the Association." Aug.5- Resolution as to improper observance of the Lord's Supper. Oct.15-Dismissal of pastor.

In 1849 - April 28- Messengers to Association-Rev.J.V. Hopper, Luke Dilliard, N.H.Flanagan and C.Johnson. (3)

In 1850- Jan.17- Rev. J.V.Hopper called as Pastor, to co-operate with Baptist Church at Carlinville in his support. Feb.16- Articles of Faith and Covenant renewed and recorded. May 10- Messengers to Edwardsville Association-J.V.Hopper, L.Dilliard, N.H.Flanagan and A.Church. One dollar and fifty cents for Minutes. Associational letter prepared by Brothers Flanagan and Church. Aug.3- "Resolved that the Church appoint a Treasurer,whose duty it shall be to keep all moneys contributed to the Church by collection or otherwise,subject to the order of the Church." C.Johnson appointed. Dec.21- "The Church appointed A.Church and N.H.Flanagan a committee to act with Deacons True and Shepherd in procuring wood and lights for the meeting house and to secure the services of some person to make the fire and light the house for the Winter."

In 1851- April 15- Deacon N.H.Flanagan to write Associational letter. May 10- Messengers to Association-J.V.Hopper, Luke Dilliard,N.H.Flanagan,J.Clark,J.S.James, S.H.Davis.1852-July 3- Provided for expense of lights and fuel. Hopper,Flanagan and Clark a committee to meet in Council for the recognition of the Staunton Baptist Church. July 24- Baptist Church at Staunton constituted and recognized.

In 1853- Jan.- Special Evangelistic Meetings-Large increase to membership by baptism and otherwise. Elders M.Lemen and Chilton preached. Feb.2- Hand of Church fellowship to 44 new members. April 23- Election of Stillman Barber as Deacon. "Resolved that the Lord's Supper be administered monthly hereafter,and that it be attended to immediately after the morning Service." July 22- Pastor to prepare Associational letter. Oct.22- More congregational singing recommended and that the Baptist Church have some privilege in the selection of music used in its Services. To this the Union choir in charge of the church music objected. Other differences developed.

In 1854- Jan.28 "Moved that a committee of five be appointed to provide a place for holding meeting,obtain preaching for the present,seek out and recommend to the Church some one to take the pastoral charge the ensuing year. Deacons Flanagan and Barber,L.D.Dilliard,L.Stark and W.H.Clark such committee. Feb.4- No place of meeting obtained. "Resolved that a committee of 5 be appointed to obtain a lot and solicit contributions for building a Baptist Church in Bunker Hill." Deacon N.H.Flanagan, Rev. J.V.Hopper,S.Barber,Wm.H. Clark and A.J.Coats such committee." Meeting at the home of Deacon Flanagan. Stillman Barber,Clerk. Feb.10- J.V.Hopper in the chair. The committee on lot reported in favor of"a lot 50 X 120 feet off of the west end of Lots 101 and 102 in plat of Bunker Hill-offered as a donation to the Church

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by T.L.Waples and recommended that the Church of said lot to build upon." It recommended also "that the Church build a house 3 6 by 4 6 feet, with 14 feet baptistry, Belfry, etc. estimated to cost about $ 1700. the committee at their meeting on Monday night last appointed a Solicitor and the Sisters have had two solicitors the two last days, who show subscriptions to the amount of $ 1247." It also recommended "that the Church proceed to build as soon as possible." It recommended that "The Church appoint three trustees and a building committee of five." Report signed by Noah H.Flanagan for the committee. Report adopted. N.H.Flanagan, Stillman Barber, J.V.Hopper, J.B.Clark and A.J.Coats, the Building Committee. Joseph Flanagan, L.D.Dilliard, Margaret Clark and E.Flanagan were the solicitors. Joseph Flanagan, J.D.Hopper and Wm.H.Clark selected as trustees. Meeting at the home of Deacon Flanagan.

At a Church Meeting on Mar.5, held at the home of Deacon Flanagan, who was Mod., the existing difficulty in the Church was considered and specially the proposal of compromise presented by a committee previously appointed, which was unanimously adopted. Thanks were extended "the Woodburn Brethren for their assistance in bringing about reconciliation."

April 22- At the home of Deacon Flanagan. Deacon Barber in the chair. The following adopted: "Inasmuch as efforts to settle the difficulties that exist in the Baptist Church at Bunker Hill have failed and inasmuch as efforts for a mutual Council have been rejected by the opposite party and especially at their last meeting they rejected a proposition to refer it to an advisory Committee of ministering and lay Brethren; Therefore, Resolved, That we call a Council of ministering and lay men to meet at Bunker Hill on the Friday before the first Lord's Day in May, 1854." Certain questions were proposed for consideration by the Council, having to do with the identity of the Church as an ecclesiastical body and the course the Church should pursue towards those members who do not co-operate with the Organization. J.V.Hopper, N.H.Flanagan, S.Barber, J.B.Clark and L.D.Dilliard were selected as a committee to present the situation to the Council.

The Council, when it met, decided in favor of the existing church Organization as an ecclesiastical body and recommended that this body revise its action as to the exclusion of certain members from its fellowship. It recommended that this body "pursue a course of conciliation toward the other party with sincere and earnest endeavor to restore harmony," to the end "that the united means and influence of all should be consecrated to the promotion of the cause of our blessed Redeemer." This Report was approved by the Church.

At a subsequent meeting, held May 27, the advice of the Council was further considered. Some objection to the Report of the Council. A committee was appointed to visit all the delinquent members. June 24 The committee on visitation reported its visit very unsatisfactory. July 26 Elder J.V.Hopper appointed to write letter to the Association. Aug. 26- Letter to the Association read and approved. Delegates-N.H.Flanagan, S.Barber, W.H.Clark and A.J.Coats. One dollar for Minutes. Oct.29- "Dedication of new church building, Elder Chilton preached at eleven o'clock and in the evening. Elder Dotson preached the dedication sermon. The meeting was continued with a good deal of

interest. Friday night the doors of the church were opened for the reception of members." Ten candidates for baptism. These were baptized on Sunday by Elder Chilton. Nov.26- Voted to raise $ 25 for Elder Dotson's services the past Summer. "J.S.Flanagan, B.Gibbs and J.B.Clark -a com.to put up hitching post-procure material and fence the meeting house lot." Elder Dotson secured to preach the 1st,2nd and 3rd Sabbaths in the month until the first of February and Elder Chilton to preach the 4th Sabbath. At the meeting Oct.21,held at the home of N.H.Flanagan,with Deacon Barber in the chair,"voted to hold Meeting every Sabbath at eleven o'clock when the new church is finished. Adjourned to meet at the new church Sat.before the fourth Sabbath in Nov. 2 o'clock."

In 1855 - Jan.27 - N.H.Flanagan,S.Barber and L.D.Dilliard a committee to secure pastor the ensuing year. Bill of sexton $ 8.87 - wood,oil,gas and labor for last 3 months-allowed. Feb.24- Rev. Luke Dillon to preach 1st Sabbath in each month. Edwardsville Association had selected Elder J.V.Hopper as its Missionary. Resolution by the Church in favor of more full financial support of Brother Hopper and his work. March 24- Elder J.V.Hopper,Mod. Report from com. to procure material and fence the meeting house. Com. continued and instructed to circulate a subscription to defray the expense. Elder J.Bulkley invited to take the pastoral charge of the church the 2nd and 4th Sabbaths. Elder Hopper to preach the 3rd Sabbath. A committee appointed to make out a list of those who have absented themselves from church and report to church. May 26- Report of com.on delinquent members presented. There were 28 names in the list. June 25- "Effort to be made to raise sufficient money to settle Elder Bulkley as full time pastor." Treasurer ordered to pay the bal.for work fencing the church lot. July 11- Two members added. July 21- Elder Hopper to prepare letter to the Association. Action taken on various bills. Aug.25- J.A.Flanagan,A.J.Coats and N.H.Flanagan selected as Messengers to the Association. Two dollars for Minutes. Oct.27 and Nov.24- Elder Kimball in the chair. No special business. Dec.22- Majority and minority reports from committee on delinquent members. Financial reports and action. W.H.Clark to employ a sexton for the church. Elder Briggs,Mod.

In 1856- Feb.23- Elder Dotson,Mod. Deacon Barber and L.D.Barber a com. to raise pastor's salary. Mar.2- Bro.Morton,Mod. Trustees instructed to borrow money and pay bal.due on Meeting House,"provided it can be had for ten per cent interest." Subscription to Pastor's salary, $ 43 per quarter. April 26- J.V.Hopper,Mod. Com.on delinquent members granted more time. Sexton resigned and a com. of three selected to take charge of the Meeting House during the Summer. May 24- A communication from former members of the Church "asking for a meeting in council to investigate difficulties which have existed for the past few years" was received and referred to a committee for consideration.

June 6- Report of com. on communication received at previous meeting. It deeply deplored "the division which has transpired in the church and recommended that the church "hail and cherish every effort calculated to remove difficulties and restore union." It recommended that the dissatisfied parties meet with the church, "to walk and act as brethren in Christ." It discouraged the calling of a council, but that the church"pursue a kind course of conduct toward their brethren, and that they labor by all means to bring about union,believing that if there is a desire for union it will manifest itself." July 21- Further consideration of difficulties between members. Voted to send messengers to consider the advisability of organizing a new Association,the meeting to be with the New Hope Church on Saturday before the 3rd Lord's Day in July at 2 o'clock. Elder E.Dotson,J.V.Hopper, N.H.Flanagan,J.O.English and A.J.Coats selected as Messengers. July 26- The Messengers to the council with the New Hope Church reported favorable to the organization proposed. Communication received from persons formerly members of the church. On motion the following Resolution was adopted: "Whereas certain difficulties of painful import and long standing have existed in the Bunker Hill Baptist Church and as it is desirable to maintain the unity of the spirit in the bonds of peace- Therefore,Resolved: That all those persons who were members of said church in the year of 1853 and 1854 (and all who have united since) and have not taken Letters of Dismission who wish to co-operate with the church be considered members of the church now in full fellowship." Attest: Noah H.Flanagan.

FROM THE MINUTES OF THE EDWARDSVILLE BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

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1841 -"There were nineteen members dismissed by letter from the Woodburn Baptist Church,December 19,1840,for the purpose of forming a church at Bunker Hill." (This statement is made by Johnathan Huggins,in his history of the Woodburn Church,printed in the minutes of the Edwardsville Association in 1870).

The time of the organization was January,1841. The Council of ministers was: Elders-R.Kimball,A.Dodge and J.M.Peck. It reported 25 members to the Association,having received five by letter since its formation. W.H.Briggs is a licentiate and Noah H.Flanagan is messenger.

1842 - W.H.Briggs,Pastor. Ordained during the year. Avoril Church, Daniel Rice,N.H.Flanagan and E.Shepherd Messengers. Eight baptized -four by letter. Two deaths. Present membership,35

1843 - W.H.Briggs,Pastor- Four received by letter.

1844- Feeble,but not discouraged,nor inactive. Has a female Missionary Society - A union Sunday School. Rev. A. Sherwood, Pastor. G.B.Davis,Ordained minister. $ 10 given to Shurtleff College by Female Missionary Society.

1845- G.B. Davis,Pastor. One baptized and one received by letter. Present number,31

1846- A.Sherwood,Pastor (member of Alton Church).

1847- Silas C.James,Pastor

1848- S.C.James,Pastor. Luke Dilliard,ordained minister. Association meeting at Bunker Hill. Two received by letter.

1849- Jacob V. Hopper,Pastor. Five received by letter. Membership,32

1850 - J.V.Hopper,Pastor - Three received by letter. Have had no special work of Divine Grace,have enjoyed harmony. Good and attentive congregations. Union Sunday School. "Have aided benevolent societies according to ability."

1851 L.Dilliard,minister. Five received by letter. J.V.Hopper has preached ½ time. Now without a pastor- In a low condition- Aids benevolent objects and desires an Itinerant Missionary employed in the Association. Number dismissed during the year.

1852- S.C.James,Pastor. J.V.Hopper,minister. Four additions by letter. Have maintained regular worship during the year and although not blessed with a revival,have enjoyed the Lord's presence in the prayer meetings. Preaching 1/2 time.

1853- J.V.Hopper,Pastor now. S.C.James was pastor until March. Forty baptisms,17 received by letter. Present membership,89. Cordially welcomes the Association. "The past year in one respect is the most peculiar in the history of the church so far. More have been added to our number and a deeper state of religious feeling has prevailed than we have ever witnessed before." "Laments that at present lack of harmony and co-operation that is so desirable from all our members,yet though faint we are still pursuing."

1854- J.V.Hopper,Pastpr. Reports a "serious division among its former members;"the parties become irreconcilable, Could not unite in calling an Advisory Council. One party called a Council,which decided this party to be the church. Has a new meeting house nearly finished. Has regular meetings; a prosperous Sunday School and interesting prayer meetings. And "hope in God."

1855- E.Dodson,Pastor. I.D.Newell, J.V. Hopper,Ordained ministers. One received by letter. Present number,38. Completed house of worship. "Have enjoyed the Divine favor in social and public meetings and in Sunday School, Preaching 3/4 of the time.

1856 - E. Dodson,Pastor. Five received by letter. "Existence as a church for a time has been precarious on account of a division of the body. On the 30th of July

a union was effected, and the Lord seemed to smile upon His vineyard. Owing to a want of Christian union on the part of some, fear division again. Have agreed to pay pastor for his time $ 250. Have raised $ 8.00 for missionary purposes.

1857- No pastor. Four received by letter. Present number, 73. "Can hardly say that we are among the living. While we have a name to live, we are dead as a Church and as Christians. Have recently enjoyed the labors of N.N.Wood, D.D., whose preaching has been blessed to some. Sabbath School of 60 members, and ten teachers. 300 volumes in library.

BEREAN BAPTIST CHURCH

1858 --- 1930

On March 25th, 1858, Rev.J.Bulkley, Pastor of the Baptist Church of Carrollton, Rev. D.P.French, Pastor the Baptist Church of Jerseyville and Rev. Elijah Dodson, Pastor of the Baptist Church of Belleville, met in Ecclesiastical Council to consider the propriety of organizing a Baptist Church in Bunker Hill.

After carefully considering the situation with respect to the former organization, then completely dissolved, it was decided that a new organization, to be called the BEREAN BAPTIST CHURCH OF BUNKER HILL, ILLINOIS, was immediately necessary. Articles of Faith and a Church Covenant were adopted.

Constituent members: Almira Allard, Nathan P.Barnes, Sarah E. Barnes, Mari Church, Sarah S. Clark, Roselle E.Davis, Mary J.Drew, Almira H.Flanagan, John Flanagan, Mari Flanagan, Noah H.Flanagan, Sarah J.Flanagan, Lucinda Hopper, Mary Ellen Hopper, Mary James, Abagail Johnson, Charles Johnson, Sr., Elizabeth Johnson, Emily Johnson, Lewis Johnson, Rebecca Jones, I.D.Newell, James Partridge, Larkin Stark.

After prayer by Rev.J.Bulkley the hand of fellowship was extended by Rev. Elijah Dodson. The charge was then given to the Church by the Rev. D.P.French. Adjourned to meet at the same place at three o'clock upon the following day.

On March 26 the Church met pursuant to adjournment. Rev.D.P. French, Mod., and Bro. I.D.Newell acting as clerk. Additions to the church membership. F.E.Adams elected church clerk. Bros. French, Newell and Adams a committee "to write a communication in regard to our New organization and send a copy to the 'Christian Times' and one to the "Western Watchman' for publication." Articles with respect to the election of Trustees and Treasurer to be presented by C.Johnson, Sr. and N.H.Flanagan at the next Church meeting for adoption.

On March 27 the following Preamble and Constitution was on motion adopted by a vote of the members present:

Whereas The laws of the State of Illinois provide for the incorporation of Religious Societies in order that they may receive donation, hold, buy, sell and convey property and be known in Law. Therefore The members of the Berean Baptist Church of Bunker Hill in the County of Macoupin and State of Illinois at a regular meeting of said Church have organized a Society for the purposes above mentioned and have adopted for the government and regulation of said Society the following

C O N S T I T U T I O N

Article 1st. This Society shall be called the "Berean Baptist Church of Bunker Hill"

Article 2nd The Officers of this Church shall be Three Trustees, who shall be known as the Trustees of the Berean Baptist Church of Bunker Hill, and they shall hold their office for the term of Four years and until their successors in office are elected and qualified. A Secretary and Treasurer, each of whom shall hold his office for the term of One year and until his successor in office is elected.

Article 3rd The officers of this Church shall be elected at the Annual Meeting of said Church in such manner as the Church shall direct by a Two Thirds Majority of the Voters present.

Article 4th It shall be the duty of the Trustees of this Church to hold for the use of and benefit of the Church any and all property which may be donated to or bought by said Church and to sell and convey away any property that the said Church may have to sell or convey away and also to exercise a general Supervision over the affairs and attend to the interests of said Church.

Article 5th It shall be the duty of the Secretary to attend all the meetings of the Church and to keep a correct record of the proceedings of said Church.

Article 6th It shall be the duty of the Treasurer to receive and safely keep all money belonging to the Church and to pay the same out upon the order of the Trustees. Provided nevertheless that special collections may be made and applied by order of the Church. He shall keep a correct account of the money in possession and report the same to the Church at each Annual Meeting. He shall also if required give bonds for the faithful discharge of his duties.

Article 7th Any member of the Berean Baptist Church of Bunker Hill in good standing whose name is subscribed to this Constitution shall have a right to vote on all matters connected with the interests of the Church so long as he or she remain in good standing in the Church.

Article 8th The Annual Meeting of this Church shall be held on the First Saturday of April in each year, and special Meetings may be called by the Trustees when the interests of the Church require it.

Article 9th This Constitution may be altered at a regular meeting of the Church by a majority of Two Thirds the Voters present, provided that nothing in this section shall be so construed as to alter the name of the Church or the style or Title of the Trustees thereof.

Article 10 In case of the death, resignation or removal from the Church of any Trustee, his vacancy shall be filled at the first Annual or called meeting of the Church.

" On motion the following Resolution was adopted: Resolved- As the sense of this meeting that all members whose names are recorded in this Book as members in regular standing of this the BEREAN BAPTIST CHURCH OF BUNKER HILL are also members of this Society."

The Church then elected Noah H. Flanagan, Larkin Stark and Franklin E. Adams as Trustees; F.E.Adams, as Secretary and Charles Johnson, Sr., as Treasurer. Lewis Johnson was elected Deacon. It was decided that the regular Church Meeting "be held on the Saturday preceding the First Sabbath in each month at Two O'clock P.M." The Clerk was authorized to purchase "a Book in which to record the Minutes of the Meetings of the Church and keep other Records." Bros I.D.Newell, N.H.Flanagan and F.E.Adams were appointed a committee "to see that the Church be supplied with preaching." Bro.D.P.French was requested "by a vote of the Church to administer the Lord's Supper to the members on to-morrow the Sabbath Day." On March 28 Rev. D.P.French of Jerseyville preached. Additions to membership. March 30- Rev.D.P.French, Mod. Additions to membership and baptism of candidates. Candidates baptized by Bro,French. May 1 Rev.D.P.French, Mod. Additions to membership. "TheArticles of Faith & Covenant and also the Constitution of the Society were then read by the Clerk. Inquiry being made as to whether the Trustees had been duly and properly organized and qualified. Bro. N.H.Flanagan stated that a Certificate of their election had been made out signed and acknowledged by them in the presence of a Justice of the Peace and the Certificate deposited with the Clerk of the Circuit Court at Carlinville." The following Resolutions were adopted: "Resolved.1st. That the Trustees of the Berean Baptist Church of Bunker Hill be instructed to purchase of F.S.Waples (for the use of said Church) the Meeting House formerly owned by the Baptist Church of Bunker Hill. 2nd. That when said purchase is effected the Trustees are instructed to assess on the Pews of said House such amount as may be best calculated to advance the interest of the Church. and make sale of and issue Certificates of purchase as said Pews may be wanted." It was voted "that a collection be taken up in the Congregation in the morning of the first Sabbath in each Month for the support of the Gospel and also a collection during Communion season." Sunday, May 2 Rev. N.N.Wood of Alton preached. Additions to membership and Hand of Church Fellowship extended. (11)

1858-(Continued) June 4- Rev.D.P.French called as Pastor-Members received. July 3 Bro.Chas.Johnson,Sr.,Mod.pro-tem. "The Trustees reported that they had not been able and did not think they would be able to purchase this meeting House from Mr.Waples for a price which the Church could afford, but that they had rented the House for one year from the first of last month for the sum of one Hundred Dollars,to be paid half the first of September and half the first of next March." Report adopted. The Com.on Pulpit Supply instructed to engage Bro.Green of Alton as Pulpit Supply for the Summer. Members received. July 4 Bro.D.P.French administered the Lord's Supper. He declined the call of the Church to become pastor. The Church requested that he secure a pastor for the Church. Voted to raise $500 a year for a pastor if one could be obtained. July 31 Rev.J.Bulkley, Pastor of the Baptist Church of Carrollton,acted as Mod. Voted to make application to the Carrollton Association for membership in that Association. Bros.C.Johnson,Sr.,N.H. Flanagan,Larkin Stark and Lewis Johnson were selected as delegates; Rev.J.Bulkley and F.E.Adams to write a letter to the Association. August 28 Rev.D.Read,President of Shurtleff College,acted as Mod. Bro.Daniel Williamson an additional delegate to the Carrollton Association. Letter to the Association read and approved. Addition to membership. Sunday,Aug.29 Bro.Read administered the ordinance of baptism. Sept.25 - Bro.D.P.French acted as Mod. Addition to membership. The name of a certain Brother was suggested as pastor, but he was unable to come "to take charge of the Church as Pastor." Nov.27 Rev.D.P.French acted as Mod. Rev. George Silver called as Pastor at a salary of $ 500 per year. Nov.28 "The Committee reported that they had the refusal of a House for Mr.Silver at Ten Dollars a month from Moses True." Money for rent subscribed.

1859- Rev.George and Sady Silver received by letter. They were extended the Right Hand of fellowship. The meeting was on Jan.1. I.D.Newell served as temporary clerk. Feb.5- N.H.Flanagan resigned as Trustee. C.Johnson,Sr., F.E.Adams and N.P.Barnes a committee to secure renewal of lease on House of Worship. Membership changes. The following Wednesday was selected as"a day of Fasting and Prayer" for revival of Christ's Cause in the Church and community. March 5- Reports of committees. April 2 - One addition to membership. April 30-Report from Trustees as to renewal of lease on House of Worship under same terms as before. June 4- Candidates received for baptism. July 2- Removal of Bro.I.D.Newll to Carrollton brought request from him for a letter of dismission to Baptist Church in Carrollton. Granted. Aug.6 - Action on request from Baptist Church in Brighton for a delegation to consider the propriety of ordaining Bro. T.S.Lowe to the work of the Gospel Ministry. Pastor,with Brethren N.H.Flanagan and C.Johnson,Sr.,selected. Aug.27 - Pastor appointed to write the Annual letter to the Carrollton Association. The Pastor, with N.H.Flanagan, C.Johnson,Sr. and L.Stark selected as delegates. Sept.3- Letter to the Association read and approved. One Dollar and fifty cents sent for Minutes. Additions to membership. C.F.Adams,L.Stark and D.Williamson a committee "to raise the money to pay rent of House."

1859 - Oct.1- Three of the Sisters appointed "to assist the Committee in raising the amount due on the rent for the Meeting House" Sisters Silver, Burton and Flanagan appointed. Nov.5- Certain funds in the Treasury appropriated toward Pastor's Salary. Dec.3 Rent due the first of last Sept.($ 50.00) paid. Committee continued to raise sufficient money to pay rent to Jan.1, next. Action taken as observance of the Lord's Supper. Dec.31-"Voted to authorize the Trustees to get a new Lease for the Meeting House from Mr.Waples for one or three years as they may think best." Church Finances reported "in a good condition." The old Committee"to circulate the Subscription for our Pastor's Salary for the coming year." "Voted to authorize the Trustees to rent enough of the Pews for one year to pay the rent and expenses of the House - Voted to appoint Bros.C.F.and F.E.Adams to attend to showing persons Seats in the Church." Addition to membership.

1860 - January - Addition to Church. Feb.4- "The Trustees reported having engaged the House of Worship now occupied by the Church of Mr.T.L.Waples for the term of three years at the yearly rent of One Hundred Dollars payable half yearly, with the privilege of spending twenty-five Dollars of the first payment in repairing the House." Report received and adopted. Addition to membership. Bros.D.Williamson and C.F.Adams appointed a Committee to get estimate of cost for the construction of a Baptistry in the House. Feb.8-Additions to membership. Feb.12- The Pastor baptized two candidates. March 3- Report from Trustees as to new lease from Mr.Waples. The Trustees also reported: "That the Certificates issued for Pews rented for one year from Feb.1st/60 amounted to One Hundred and fifty nine Dollars" Report adopted. Committee on Baptistry reported. March 31- Committee on Baptistry authorized to have a Baptistry"put in this house." One candidate for baptism. April 8- The Pastor- C.Johnson, Sr.and N.P.Barnes appointed as delegates to a Council with the First Church, Alton, to consult asto the propriety of ordaining Mr.Janeson to the Gospel Ministry. May 5- "The Committee on Baptistry reported that they had had a Baptistry put in and that it cost Nineteen Dollars & fifty Cents ($ 19150). Report received and Com. continued to raise funds to pay for it. Membership changes. June 2-No business. July 15- Additions to membership. June 30- Additions to membership. Aug.4- No special business. Sept.1- The Pastor, with Bros. Stark and Williamson, selected as delegates to the Association. Sept.2- Letter to the Association read and approved. Oct.6- Bro.D.Williamson elected as Deacon, which he declined, giving his reasons, but consented to serve for the present. Nov.3-No special business. Meeting The Pastor, with Bros.N.H.Flanagin and L.Stark, selected to attend a Council with the Baptist Church in Upper Alton to consult as to the propriety of ordaining Bro.Moore to the Gospel to the Gospel Ministry. Dec.1- No special business. Dec.19- Bro.F.E.Adams resigned as clerk and trustee and granted letter of dismission to the Baptist Church in Alton.

1861-Jan.5- C.F. Adams elected Clerk. Committee on visitation of members selected. Monday, Jan.7, to be observed as a day of fasting and prayer, by request of the Association. One dismission. Feb.2- Committee reports. Membership changes. Trustees elected: Daniel Williamson and C.F.Adams, in the place of N.H.Flanagin and F.E. Adams, resigned. March 2- No special business. (13)

1861- April 6 - John Flanagain elected Treasurer in place of Charles Johnson, Sr., resigned. Membership changes. Aug.3-Membership changes. Aug.31-"A season of conference"and a committee report. R.P.Rider, clerk pro-tem.

1862-Jan. One addition by letter. Feb. Additions to membership. R.P.Rider, Church clerk, with Jan.meeting. "The sisters asked permission of the Church to put forth efforts for the purchase of the building in which we now meet for worship. Being put to vote it was unanimously carried in favor of the ladies." April 5- Membership changes. April 23- Additions to membership April 30- One addition by baptism. May 3- Two dismissions by letter. "Voted that it be our custom henceforth to read our Church Covenant when we meet for conference." Aug.1862- R.P.Rider appointed to prepare the annual letter to the Association.

1863-Feb.28 Sister S.E.Cole(formerly S.E.Flanagin granted a letter of recommendation. Oct.3- Additions to membership. Thomas Hood, Lewis Johnson and R.P.Rider elected Trustees. Thomas Hood elected Deacon. Dec.5- Membership changes.

1864-Aug.5- Action taken in relation to delinquent members. A committee appointed to see to cleaning of church building. "Bro.Hopper moved that the Church change its relations from the Carrollton Association to the Edwardsville Association. Motion carried. Thomas Hood, clerk pro-tem. Aug.31- Thomas Cleaver appointed to write the letter to the Association. J.V.Hopper, Clerk. Sept.3- The Pastor and Deacon T.Hood selected as messengers to the Carrollton Association. Brethren Silver, Hopper, Hood and Rider selected as Messengers to the Edwardsville Association. Dec.31-J.V.Hopper elected Clerk.

1865-Feb.4- Thomas Hood elected Treasurer. March 4- Membership changes. A committee appointed"to circulate subscription for Pastor's salary for the current year." April 1- No special business. So also May 6th and June 4th. July- Sisters Silver, Burton and Hopper a committee to collect funds to repair the Meeting House. Aug.5- Sister Julia Rider granted "a letter of dismission and recommendation for the purpose of uniting in the organization of a Baptist Church at Nilwood" Request from a minister for the use of the Meeting House "For Divine Service each alternate Sabbath afternoon" granted for three months. Sept.2- Letter to the Association read and approved. Brethren Hood, Johnson, N.H.Flanagin and Cleaver the Messengers to the Association. Committee on collecting funds for repairing Meeting House reported progress. Brethren Silver, Hood and Hopper"a Committee of reception and entertainment for the Association." Sept.30- J.V.Hopper, Mod.(The Pastor ill). No special business. Oct.7- (same as preceding meeting). Nov.4- The Pastor presiding. One addition by letter. Partial report from Com. on Church building repair. Dec.3- No business.

1866- Jan.7- The Pastor suggested the wisdom of his resignation, he having been pastor seven years and"therehaving been but small indications of the blessings of God upon his

labors." Effort made by the Church to retain Bro. Silver as Pastor. One candidate for baptism. Feb.4 - Report from Com. to wait on Bro. Silver to the effect "that he probably would determine the questions in the course of the next two months." It was decided to "hold a prayer meeting on each Sabbath afternoon at 3 o'clock." March 3- One addition by letter. March 31- Brothef Silver declined call to remain as Pastor. Same com. to secure a pastor. One addition by baptism. May 5- The com. "had not yet heard of any minister" deemed by them proper to recommend. Com. authorized "to procure a supply from the Professors of Theology in Shurtleff College." One dismission by letter. June 2- Dr. D. Reid led in the religious services. "It was determined to take up a collection each Sabbath morning to pay for the supplies of the Pulpit and the incidental expenses." Aug.4- "The Committee on Ministerial supply reported that it was not possible for them to obtain the Theological Professors of Shurtleff College to supply us all the time, and asked to have the privilege of getting supplies from other persons." Privilege granted, but the supplies to be Baptists. Adjustment of salary due Bro. Silver. Oct.6- One addition to membership. Letter to the Association read and adopted. Thomas Cleaves, N.H. Flanagin, Lewis Johnson and L. Stark selected as messengers to the Association. Brethren Hood, Hopper and Flanagin to be a committee on "accommodations for the Association." Nov.3- A Deacon urged not to resign. Dec.1- One dismission by letter. Report of amount raised on Bro. Silver's salary.

1867- Jan.5 One dismission by letter. Revision of list of members arranged for. Feb.2- Report from com. on revision of list of members. No. of members on list, 66, of whom 21 are non-resident, with 8 resident members not specially interested. But Bro. R.P. Rider, a non-resident member, still contributes to the expenses of the Church. Negotiations for the settlement of a pastor. March 2- Membership changes. Arrangements on for the settling of a pastor. April 6- Membership changes. April 7-Additions to membership. May 4 -Additions to membership. June 1-2 Rev. A.J. Delano called as Pastor, "at a salary of Eight Hundred Dollars per year." June 14- Bro. Delano accepted the pastorate conditionally, his final acceptance to be deferred until the first of Aug. The Church then voted herself free to call any one else in the interval. July 6- No special business. Aug.5- Bro. Delano finally accepted the pastorate of the Church, his work as pastor to begin Sept, 1. Bros. Hood, Knibb, Hopper and Sisters Burton & Gildemister a com. to "superintend the raising of the salary of Bro. A.J. Delano." Sept.15- I.D. Newell received by letter. He was voted "a recommendation to the Faculty of Shurtleff College to become a ministerial student." The Pastor requested to prepare the annual letter to the Association. Oct.5- Pastor Delano presiding. Letter to the Association read and approved. Bros. Hopper, Hood, Flanagin and Slaughter appointed as Messengers. The necessary amount for the printing of Minutes to be paid. Nov.7- Action on bal. due former pastor. Nov.30- Decided to have "the first Wednesday evening of each month devoted to a prayer and conference for Missions Foreign and Domestic."

1868- Jan.4- Additions to membership. One addition by letter. Special Meetings began last Christmas. A developing interest and some additions to membership. Feb.1- Special Meetings still in

progress. Many additions by baptism and otherwise. A system of contributuinns under consideration. Feb.19- Special Meetings still in progress. Many additions. Feb.29- Decided that "collections be taken on the 2nd L.D. in March, June, September and December. That the Collection in March be for Foreign Missions." March 6-Baptisms. Special Meetings still continued with some interest. March 19- Baptisms. April 4- The Collection on the 2nd Lord's Day in Sept, next, to be "for the benefit of Domestic Missions in this State." April 26- A committee to inquire into conduct of a certain member was appointed. May 2- The Com. continued. June 6- Action on report of the Com. Member excluded. Com. appointed to solicit funds to pay for construction of baptistry($ 35.00 still due). W.H.Blair granted license to preach. July 11- Changes in membership. Bro. Delano called to serve the Church as Pastor at a salary of $ 900. Com. appointed to circulate subscription. Aug.1 - Some success in raising subscription for pastor's salary. The Pastor granted leave of absence for two Sabbaths. Bro. Silver requested to supply pulpit during absence of pastor. Sept.5- One addition by letter. The Deacons appointed to ask the pastor to agree to $800 salary for the year. The Pastor to write the letter to the Association. Sept.6- The Pastor accepted the proposition as to salary with the understanding that the close of his service would be possible during the year if desired by himself or the Church. Oct.3- Letter to the Association approved. Revs. Delano, Silver and Hopper and Bros. Thos Hood, Thos. B. Atchison and John Flanagin selected as Messengers. Each member requested "to pay one Dollar to make up the arrearage on Pastor's salary of last year." The. Treas. to pay for printing Minutes. Nov.7- A collection of $ 39.00 on bal. due Pastor. Members invited to give more than one Dollar per member. Dec.5- Salary arrearage settled. Monthly Meetings to be at 2 o'clock P.M. instead of 3 o'cloek.

1869- Jan.2- Observance of the Week of Prayer considered. Jan.10- The Pastor gave notice that he would close his past- his pastorate with the month of March, next. Feb.6- The Pastor's resignation accepted. Bro. and Sister Delano thanked "the Brethren, Sisters and friends for the surprise visit and donation made them." Arrangements made for the securing of a new pastor and for the repair of the Meeting House. March 6- A minister secured for the month of April. April 3- No special business. May 1- A Brother recommended as pastor, but action deferred. Membership changes. June 5- Resignation of Com. on Ministerial supply and a new com. selected. Arrangements made for raising deficiency on Pastor's salary. June7- Membership changes. July 3- Com. on Pastor reported progress. So also the Com. on deficit in Pastor's salary. July 31 and Sept.4- No special business. Oct.2- Salary deficit settled. Thos. Hood, Thos. Cleaves, Wm. Knibb and N.H.Flanagin selected as Messengers to the Association. Three Dollars voted for Minutes. Letter to the Association approved. Rev. H.C.Hazen called as Pastor, to begin on the 3rd Sabbath in October. Nov.6- Membership changes. Com. selected to circulate a subscription for Pastor's salary. Dec.4- Two additions by letter. Thomas Cleaves elected Deacon. John Flanagin elected Church Treasurer. Deficiency "in paying Bro, Farnsworth for teaching vocal music in our Congregation" to be made up by Church. Dec.15- Special

Committees to be selected. N.H.Flanagin, J.V.Hopper, W.J.Knibb, Mrs. Dea. Johnson, Mrs. J.Flanagin and Mrs. E.N.Hazen a Com. to make the selection.

1870- Jan.1- Committees selected: Relief, Strangers, Care of the sick(Northwest, Southwest, Northeast and Southeast), Music, Sabbath School, Benevolent Objects, Pastor's Salary, Repairs and Sociable. Two or more members placed on each committee. Feb.5-Membership changes. March 5- Appreciation of great spiritual blessing the past month. A number were baptized on Feb.27. March 9-Adaline Clark(colored) received for baptism and afterward membership. She was baptized on March 13. The pastor also baptized another candidate at the same time. March 20-Dismissions by letter. April 20,23,24. Candidates received and baptized. April 30- One dismission by letter. The pastor granted leave of absence for one or two Sabbaths. June 4- Membership changes. Voted to hold "an Annual Meeting on the Saturday before the Second Lord's Day in September of each year." July 3-Baptism. Sept.10-Annual meeting. The clerk reported additions the past year-3 by letter and 11 by baptism; dismissions-by letter, 8 and by death 2-Present membership, 128. Males, 45 and females, 83. Of these 75 are heads of families. There are about 80 regular attendants on Sabbath meetings and from 20 to 30 attend the Prayer and Conference meetings. Membership changes. Receipts, $ 687.69. Expended-Incidentals-$ 101.40; Sabbath School, $ 45.00; Pastor's salary, $ 480.00; Benevolences, $ 52.85. Pastor and Clerk to prepare letter to the Association. Wm.J.Knibb, N.H.Flanagin, L.Stark, Thos. Hood and Thos, Cleaves selected as messengers to the Association. Thos.Hood, Lewis Johnson and Wm.J.Knibb elected Trustees for three years. J.V.Hopper elected clerk and John Flanagin, Treasurer. Oct.1- Membership changes. Letter to the Association approved. On Oct.6- a committee was chosen to recommend the Standing Committees for the year. Oct.23- A committee appointed to select "a hymn book for the use of the Church." Nov.5- Standing Committees chosen (with 3 or more on each committee) on Visitation (including Sociable); On Beneficence and Finance; On Sabbath Schools; On Missions and Publications; On Benefit of the Colored people. To report quarterly. Three members of a Standing Com. to constitute a quorum. Dec.3-Membership changes. A report from the Committee on Beneficence, stating the time of offerings approved. Dec.11,18,28- Membership changes. Dec.31- One addition by letter.

1871-Jan.1- One baptism. Special evening meetings-from Jan.9 to Feb.4 - Some additions to membership. The meetings to continue. Baptisms on Feb.12. March 1- One received for baptism. March 4- membership changes. "The Finance Committee made a report of deficiency of $ 200 on subscription for Pastor's salary current year and recommended a system of weekly payments to raise that amount and also $ 100 for incidental expenses." Adopted. March 15- One received for baptism. April 9- Mrs. Arsalla Pearson and Elizabeth Collins (colored) baptized. April 1- Effort to raise $ 300 by weekly contributions not successful. Monthly meetings to be held at 3;00 P.M. May 6- One dismission by letter. July 1- Pastor to be away part of Aug. Brn. Johnson and Knibb to obtain Pulpit supplies for period of the Pastor's absence. July 25-New Hymn Book in course of publication by the Am.Bapt.Pub.Socy to be used by the Church and a com. appointed to secure purchasers.

1871-Aug.5- No special business. Sept.2- Deficiency on Pastor's salary about $ 250. Annual Meeting postponed. Sept.30- Annual Meeting. Membership changes. Letter to the Association approved. Wm.J.Knibb and John Flanagan selected as messengers. Voted $ 4:00 for Minutes. Wm.J.Knibb elected Treasurer and J.V.Hopper,Clerk. A committee selected to arrange the Standing Committees for the coming year, Oct.4- Membership changes. Oct.17- Deficiency on Pastor's salary,$ 207. A committee chpsen "to endeavor to raise the above amount by subscription." The Treasurer to write one of the members about duty of giving to the Church's support. Nov.3- The special committee on Pastor's salary reported progress. A committee chosen to examine membership list "and report such names as they think should be specially looked after. Nov.12- Additions to membership. Dec.2- Consideration of report on delinquent members. Standing Committees elected:- On Visitation; On Finance; On Church Music; On Sabbath School and on Sociables. Dec.3- One addition by letter. Dec.31- Dismissions by letter.

1872-Jan.6- Com.on deficiency on Pastor's salary discharged. $ 684.20 paid on salary last year. "The following was adopted. Whereas our Colored Members wish to hold some meetings of their own, and as we wish to encourage them in so doing; Therefore,Resolved,That our Colored Members are hereby authorized to make such appointments for preaching and other meetings as they may see proper, and also to supply themselves with preaching. And at such meetings they are authorized to hear experiences,and in connection with our Pastor, or Deacons,or Clerk and other white Brethren to receive candidates for Baptism and membership. That the finance Com. are authorized to rent seats to such persons as may apply for them." The Week of Prayer was observed,beginning Jan.8-They were continued two weeks with some interest. Jan.27 One addition by letter. Feb.3- Membership changes. Pastor's salary paid for the year ending Oct.12,1871. Feb.4-Additions to membership. Feb.24- Additions to membership. Mar.2- Additions by letter. March 6- One received by experience. Mar.10- "At a called meeting of the Colored members with the Pastor and other Brethren," two(both colored) were received for Baptism and membership. March 20- "At the regular Prayer Meeting this evening Mr. Charles C.Campbell and Mrs. Henrietta Campbell related experience of Grace and on motion they were received for membership after Baptism." March 31- Baptism of candidates after evening sermon. April 6- Membership changes. "It being in contemplation by our Colored members to organize into a separate Church and this being made known to us,therefore,our Clerk is hereby instructed to make out a letter of dismission to such of our Colored members as may apply to him for this purpose." Two additions to the Sabbath School Committee. Collection for Foreign Missions,$ 11.00. April 10 - One received for baptism. April 17- One dismission by letter. Brn.Johnson and Campbell a com. on repairing the Meeting House. May 4- "On motion a Committee consisting of Brn.Hopper,Cleaver and Campbell was appointed to ascertain whether a suitable lot for a Meeting House can be obtained and at what price and report to the Church."

1872-May 12- One baptized this evening. June 1- No special business. June 9- Resolution adopted commendatory of Mrs. Spencer and Mr. Morrifield and their leadership of the Church music the previous two months and requesting their continuance. July 6- One addition by letter. Aug.31- Annual Meeting. J.V.Hopper elected Clerk and Wm.J.Knibb,Treas. A com.selected to nominate the Standing Committees. Report from the Clark gave membership as 125, two more than the previous year. There were 8 additions by letter,11 by baptism and 2 by experience. Dismissed-By letter, 18 and by exclusion,1- 37 male members and 88 female. Non-resident members,19. Three colored members yet remaining in membership. Pastor's salary,$ 800.00; Home expenses,$ 270.00; Foreign Missions,$ 11.00; Shurtleff College,$ 20.00; Ministerial Education, $ 33.00; Sabbath School,$ 65.00. Collected on Pastor's salary, $ 416.00; Paid on previous year,$ 32.22; Paid on present year, $ 383.78. Amount of Sabbath collections,$ 168.50. Paid out, incidental expenses,$ 170.70. Due the Treas.$ 1.70. Sept.25. Membership changes. Oct.5- Letter to the Association approved. Nov.30- Additions to membership. Office of Deacon now filled by Bro.Cleaver declared vacant, he having removed to N.Jersey. Voted "That we will at our next monthly meeting proceed to elect one Deacon to fill the vacancy who shall serve until our next Annual Meeting. That hereafter we will elect at our Annual Meeting each year one Deacon to serve three years. That a committee of three be appointed to recommend when the terms of our present Deacons shall expire." Brn.Hopper,Knibb and Flanagin appointed. Dec.22- One dismissed by letter.

1873- Jan.3- Lemuel J.Hancock(a licentiate) received by letter. Report from com.on Deacons adopted: the time of Deacon Hood to expire one year; the time of Deacon Johnson to expire two years from the next Annual Meeting. John Flanagin elected Deacon for one year. Feb.1- "The Week of Prayer was observed by us in union with the Congregational and Methodist Churches-Prayer Meetings on each afternoon and Preaching at night. Towards the close of the week was so much interest in the congregations that it was concluded to hold union meetings during the next week.Accordingly the meetings were continued with increasing interest." Jan 19 Baptism "The meeting continued as union meetings up to the 26th of January,when it was thought best for each Church to hold separate meetings. Meetings were held by us during the following week,except on Friday night,when a union meeting was held,there being much interest yet in the congregations." Feb.1-(Continued) Additions to membership Feb.2- One addition by experience.Feb.5- Candidates for baptism. Feb.9- Baptisms. Feb.19- Candidates for baptism. Feb.23- Baptisms. March 1- One addition by letter. Change of Church Covenant and of Articles of Faith proposed,those published in pamphlet "Baptist Church Manual" being suggested. March 19- One candidate for baptism. March 23- Additions to membership. March 30- One baptism. April 5- Changes in membership. "Action on the question of changing our Articles of Faith and Covenant was deferred one month." April 30 - A matter of discipline. May 3- "The question of changing our Articles of Faith and Covenant was taken up,and after a free interchange of views,on motion,the new ones were unanimously adopted." (See page 4 of church record). Action on a delinquent member. May 28- One addition by experience. May 31- One dismission by letter.

1873-May 31-(Continued)-- Delinquent member promised to act differently. Committee appointed "to see to having a suitable number of hitching posts put up." June 18- One candidate for baptism. June 22 - Baptisms this evening. Coll.of $ 15 for Foreign Mission. Payment of $ 20 for Educational Fund. July 13- One dismission by letter. July 31- One candidate for baptism. Committee on non-resident and in-active membership chosen. Brn. Knibb,Flanagin and Bailey a Com. "to report on the System of Envelopes for the raising funds to meet the expenses of the Church." Aug.8- Contribution of $ 9.30 to the Publication Socy. Aug.10- One baptism. Aug.27- A com. chosen to propose the names for the regular committees. Sept.3- One dismission by letter. Sept.6- Annual Meeting. Election of Officers by ballot:-John Flanagan elected Deacon; J.V.Hopper elected Clerk; Wm.J.Knibb elected Treasurer. There were 13 dismissions by erasure of name. Standing Committees on Finance,on Music and on Sociables chosen. The committee on "Envelope System of collecting funds" reported. "This Com.recommend that a subscription be circulated as usual for Pastor's salary and incidental expenses. That envelopes be furnished each family subscribing, and that they be requested to put their weekly contribution in an envelope with their name on it, and put it in the basket at the Sabbath morning Collection. That the Treasurer keep an account with each contributor." Adopted. Sisters Linton and Eliza Fruit were appointed to circulate the subscription. The Clerk reported 22 additions by baptism,14 by letter and 7 by experience- a total gain of 43 during the year. There were 8 dismissions by letter, 13 dropped and 3 died-total loss of 24. Present membership,144.-48 males and 96 females. Twenty non-resident. The Treas.reported: Bible & Pub. Socy., $ 9;30; Shurtleff College,$ 20.00; Ministerial Education, $ 24.00; Incidental Exp.$ 113.00; Sabbath School,$ 98.10; Ladies' Sociable, $ 93.65; Foreign Missions,$ 15.00; Pastor's salary,$ 800.00. Oct.4- Request from the Alton Ch-for the Pastor and two delegates to form a Council for the ordination of their Pastor-elect. The Pastor and Brn.J.V. Hopper and C.C.Campbell chosen. Letter to the Association approved. C.C.Campbell,W.J.Knibb and L.J.Hancock selected as Messengers. Four Dollars for Minutes. "A Committee consisting of Brn. Hazen,Knibb,Campbell and Hopper were appointed to make such changes in regard to heating our Meeting House as they may think advisable. That the question of insuring our Church home be referred to our Trustees with power to act." Oct.8,22,29 and Nov.1-Membership changes chiefly. Dec.6-Membership changes. Time of Monthly Meetings changed to 2:00 o'clock.

1874- Jan"The Church observed the week of prayer in connection with the Congregational and Methodist Churches. A series of Meetings was commenced and on the 19th Bro. H.R.Stimson visited us and preached three nights.On 22nd Bro.Morgan Edwards arrived and preached with much acceptance, the Meetings increasing in interest from day to day." Feb.7- Baptisms this evening. Feb.14- "During this week the Meetings have been continued. Rev.M.Edwards left us on Monday 9th." Baptisms on Feb.13. Feb.20- "The meet-

ings have been continued through this week with a goodly degree of interest. Rev. H.R.Stinson with us a part of the time." Baptisms. Feb.28-"The meeting that has been in progress still continues with some interest. Additions to membership. March 10- Additions to membership. March 25- "The meetings that have been in progress for several weeks closed on the 13th and since that time prayer and conference meetings have been held on Monday, Wednesday and Friday nights." Baptisms. March 29- Dismissions by letter. April 4.- No special business. This also on May 2. June 6- Cases of unchristian conduct under advisement. June 24- Matters of discipline. Sept.5- Annual Meeting. Additions to membership. Report of Clerk: Additions-by Baptism,32;by letter,9;by experience,1-Total, 42. Dismissions-by letter,10;by erasure,4; by exclusion,2-Total, 16. Present membership,171. 148 are resident,with 11 largely in-active. Twenty-four are non-resident. Between 50 and 60 are identified with the Sunday School. Some names erased from roll. No letters of dismission to be "granted to those who are in arrears on their subscription for church purposes.2 The Sociable Com.reported an expenditure of $ 171.99. C.C.Campbell,Supt. of the Sunday School, reported receipt of $ 118.83. Received for singing books sold,$ 23.35. Special com.to raise deficiency in Pastor's salary. Levi Darby elected Deacon; Wm.Cruickshank,Trustee; J.V. Hopper,Clerk and Wm.J.Knibb,Treasurer. Paid on Pastor's salary-last year-$ 458.00 and present year,$ 337.00-Total,$ 795.00. Amount due Pastor on the 2nd Lord's Day in Oct,,$ 463.00. Subscription not collected,$ 121.50. Amount unprovided for,$ 341.50. Public collections,$ 131.97. Incidental expenses,$ 122.40. Paid Bro. Edwards,$ 85.20 and Bro.Stinson,$ 5.00. (They personally received other offerings.) Benevolenve - Bible and Pub.Socy,$ 9.80; Foreign Missions,$ 15.00 and Shurtleff College,$ 6.75. (Other offerings by members). Sept.23- One addition by letter. Standing Committees elected:-Music, Sociable and Finance. Oct.3- Letter to the Association approved. Johnathan Huggins, J.L.Wells, C.C. Campbell.Levi Darby and Lewis Johnson selected as messengers. One addition by letter on Oct.4. Oct.31- Membership changes. Dec.5- Church discipline. Com.to solicit subscriptions to Pastor's salary.

1875-Jan.2- Church discipline. Feb.6- Resignation of Bro.Hazen, to take effect in three months from this date. Brn.Hopper,Campbell and Wells a com. on Resolutions commendatory of Bro.Hazen. Brn.Campbell,Johnson and Darby a com.on procuring a pastor and Ministerial supply. March 6- One dismission by letter. April 3- Resolution to accept the Pastor's resignation was reconsidered and tabled. Bro.Hazen was requested to withdraw his letter of resignation. (He declined to withdraw his resignation). May 1- Resolutions commendatory of Bro,Hazen adopted. May.2.-Close of Bro.Hazen's pastorate. He removed to N.Y.State. May 19-July 31- Membership changes chiefly,aside from religious conference. Aug.29- Rev. J.F.Howard called as Pastor,to begin Sept.1,1875. Sept.4- No special revival season the past year and no additions by experience or baptism. Present membership,161. Annual Meeting. The Clerk presented an analysis of the Church's situation and need. Resident membership,129. Dismissions- 13.- By letter,10,by exclusion,1 and by death,2. The clerk with the Deacons a com. on delinquent members. Disbursements,$ 1,021.60. Lewis Johnson elected Deacon for three years; Wm.J.Knibb,Treasurer for one year and J.V. Hopper,Clerk for one year. Com. elected to nominate the regular

1875(Continued)- committees. Matters of discipline. The Sociable com.expended $ 133.20 the past year. Sept.22- Standing Committees elected-On Music,On Sociable and on Visitation. The com.on delinquent members reported. Eight dismissions by erasure of name. One exclusion for unchristian conduct. Letter to the Association adopted. J.F.Howard, L.Dilliard, J.V.Hopper, C.C.Campbell and Wm.J.Knibb selected as Messengers to the Association. Nov.6- Additions to membership. Dec.4- No business.

1876-Jan.1 No business. Feb.5- Candidates for baptism. Baptisms the next day. Feb.12- Candidates for baptism. Baptized on Feb.13,after evening sermon. March 1- Lewis Johnson,Wm.J.Knibb,Wm.Cruickshank elected Trustees to serve five years from this date. March 4- Resolutions adopted against "the practice of attending balls or Social dancing parties" Matters of discipline. April 1. One exclusion. April 9- Baptism. May 6-Dismissions by letter. May 7-Request for a Council at Fosterburg to examine Bro.Henry Shute with a view to his ordination. Pastor J.F.Howard and Brn. J.V.Hopper and John Flanagan selected. June 2- Christian conference only. June 6- Membership changes. July 2- "The collection taken up at the time of Communion be devoted to the benefit of the poor of the Church,to be dispensed by the Deacons." It was decided "that Brn.J.V.Hopper,Cruickshank,W.J.Knibb, Sisters Mary Drew and H.Campbell be a Committee on repairing our house." Request for a council to consider the ordination of Bro.Bell to the Gospel Ministry. J.F.Howard,J.V.Hopper and Wm.J.Knibb selected. Aug.5- Expense of repairs,$ 16.50. The clerk was appointed to write the letter to the Association. Voted to have the Annual Meeting on the first Saturday in Sept. at 3 O'clock. Sept.2- Annual Meeting- J.V.Hopper elected clerk; Wm.J.Knibb,Treasurer; A com.selected to examine the list of members "to ascertain if there be any whose names should be dropped." A com. appointed to select the regular Committees for the ensuing year. Sept.6- Annual letter to the Association approved. C.C.Campbell, W.J.Knibb, J.Flanagin and any other members present at the Association were appointed as messengers. The usual amount for Minutes. Received by Baptism,12; by experience,1. Diminutions- by letter,3; excluded,3; Died,5- Present number,148. Sept.28- John Flanagin elected Deacon for three years. Resignation of Wm.J.Knibb as Treasurer accepted and Geo.McPherson elected in his stead. About $ 150 due on Pastor's salary for last year. About $ 65 on subscription collectible. A com.selected to secure the remainder. Dec.4- The regular Covenant Meeting to be held hereafter"on Friday night before the first Lord's Day in each month."

1877- Jan.5- A matter of discipline. Action favorable to the holding of the week of prayer in connection with the Congregational Church. Feb.3-Candidates for baptism. Feb.7 One candidate for baptism. Feb.11-Baptisms. March 30-Additions to membership. April 15- One baptism. April 30-One addition by letter. May 4- Matters of discipline. June 1- Matters of discipline.- One re-instated. June 26-Membership

changes. Aug.2- Matters of discipline. "Bro. F.Drew was appointed to attend to the repairing of the baptistry." Aug.19 Additions to membership. Aug.31-Annual Meeting. Baptistry repaired. Treasurer's Report: Paid Pastor-$ 560.30. L.Johnson,Janitor, $ 66.00. Incidental exp. $ 68.65. On hand.$ 3.61- Total,$ 698.56. Account with Pastor-Bal.due on 1876-$ 151.47. Year ending,Aug.31, 1877-$ 700.00. Total-$ 851.47. Paid on this amount,$ 560.30. Bal.due Pastor- $ 291/17. Election of Officers: J.V.Hopper, Clerk; Frank Drew,Assistant Clerk; Geo.McPherson,Treas.; A com.selected to nominate the Standing Committees on Finance, Music and Sociables. Membership changes. Sept.5- Members pf Standing Committees elected. Sept.9- Dismissions by letter. Oct.4- Membership changes. Letter to the Edwardsville Association adopted. Wm.J.Knibb,C.C.Campbell, Sisters Howard and Drew selected as Messengers to the Association. Oct.7-One baptism. Nov.2- Partial report from the finance com. Nov.30-Report from the finance com. Progress in collecting the bal.on last year's salary for pastor and on subscription for present year.

1878- Jan.4- Bro.Howard re-imbursed for $ 1.50 forwarded by him for Minutes. Feb.25-"A protracted meeting was commenced by the Church on the 16th of January with the assistance of Bro, W.C. Hsrvey of Litchfield who remained with us two weeks." Additions to membership. March- No special business. One baptism. April 5- Covenant Meeting only. April 24- One dismission by letter. May 3- "A committee was appointed to attend to the cleaning of our house of worship." Voted "That a Committee,of which the Pastor shall be chairman,be appointed to take into consideration what repairs and alterations are desirable to be made in our church house and to make an estimate of the cost of the same. J.F.Howard,Wm.J.Knibb, J.V.Hopper, S.Smith,Juliet Johnston and Mrs.Drew were appointed said committee." May 31- The committee on repairs reported: "That the floor in the front of the room be raised to a level; That an eave-trough and conductor be put on the west side of the house; That a picket fence be built on the west side of the house; That the outside wood-work of the house have two coats of paint;And that the walks in front of the house be repaired." Bro's Knibb and Hopper were appointed to make estimates of cost of the above repairs. It was estimated that the eave-trough and conductor with repairs on the old conductor would cost about $ 8.00. And that the painting of the outside woodwork would cost about $ 35.00. The report was approved,all except that with respect to the picket fence and"the work to be done provided sufficient funds can be raised to pay for it." Bro.Knibb appointed to raise the funds. "Bro's Hopper,Barnes and Summerville were appointed to superintend the work." Aug. 30- Annual Meeting- Report of Treas.: Bal.on hand, last Report,$ 3.61. Amount received during the year,$ 935.75. Paid J.F.Howard,$ 799.82; L.Johnson,$ 72.00; Incidental expenses, $ 67.54. Received for repairs,$ 20.50; expended,$ 14.55. J.V. Hopper elected Clerk; Geo.McPherson,Treasurer. A com.to report on standing of members. Com. to select Standing Committees. Oct.2- Matters of discipline. One dismission by letter.

1878-Oct.2-(Continued)- Letter to the Association approved. Sisters Jennie Brown and Fanny Drew selected as Messengers. Three Dollars for Minutes. Present membership,140. Additions, by baptism,9;by experience,1 and by Restoration,1. Diminutions, By letter,5; by erasure,1;excluded,3. Lewis Johnson elected Deacon. Nov.1- Chas. Williams and R.K.Barnes selected as the Finance Committee. Dec.18- One dismission by letter.

1879- Jan.3- The Treasurer reported an indebtedness of $ 297.69 on Current expenses. A com.appointed to investigate the situation and report. Jan.31- Certain reduction in expenses recommended and approved. Subscription to Pastor's salary to be circulated and the Treasurer to proceed at once"to collect all the arrears on old subscriptions." March - Financial situation considered. April 4- One addition by letter. April 9- One dismission by letter. April 16- Request from the Second Baptist Church at Bunker Hill (colored) for the Pastor and two delegates to sit "in Council to consider the propriety of ordaining their Pastor-elect Griswold on the 2nd Friday in May." Brn.Johnson and Flanagin with the Pastor were appointed. May 2- Pastor J.F.Howard announced his call from the Downers Grove Church and his willingness to accept. His resignation as Pastor accepted,to take effect the last of May. A committee on Pulpit supply and Pastor appointed. June "Prof. Clark of Upper Alton preached on the 2nd Sabbath. And Bro.Coffey from the College preached on the 3rd and 4th Sabbaths in June." July 2-Dismissions by letter. Aug.13- Com.on supplies and Pastor enlarged. Aug.24- "On the 17th and to-day Bro.J.G. Lemen supplied our pulpit with much satisfaction." After the service to-day he was unanomously called as pastor.The call accepted and Bro. Lemen at once commenced his labors. Sept.5- The next regular meeting to be the Friday before the 4th Lord's Day in this month. A committee on revision of church roll selected. The Treasurer to present his report to the Finance Committee before its submission to the Church. Sept.25- Revision of church Roll- Letter to the Association approved.C.C. Campbell,Wm.J.Knibb and Sister H. Campbell selected as Messengers. Three dollars for Minutes. Report of Treasurer read and referred to the Finance Com. Nov.1- Monthly Meetings for business to be"held Wednesday evening before the first Lord's Day in each month in connection with our prayer meeting." Dec.3- The Church approved plan of the Ladies of this Church and congregation "to appropriate the net proceeds of their sociables to the liquidation of the old debt of the church until such is paid and then reserve their funds for building purposes." Bro. Williams appointed"to collect funds to buy a clock."

1880-Jan.4-One addition by experience. Jan.19-Additions to membership. Miss Eliza Fruit,C.C.Campbell and W.J.Knibb appointed a committee on repair of the Meeting House. April 23- One candidate for baptism. April 28- One dismission by letter.The com.on repairs reported progress. June 15- Two additions by letter. June 21- The Church at Jacksonville,Ill.requested that Pastor and one of the Brethren be sent "to assist at the ordination of their Pastor-elect on the first Lord's Day in July." Request granted and Bro.Dilliard selected to go with the Pastor. June 31- Request of Pastor"for a vacation of one month in July or August granted. July 28- A com. appointed to confer

with Bro.Lenen as to his continuance as Pastor. Aug.23-The Church voted by ballot in favor of retaining Bro.Lenen as Pastor another year. Salary, $ 800.00. Vote unanimous. Sept. 29- Annual Meeting. The Clerk reported membership,140. Received by baptism,18;by letter,2;by experience,2-Total,23. Dismissed by letter,1;by death,3-Total,4. Brn,J.G.Lenen,J.V.Hopper,Newton Barnes,Edward Drew and Sisters E.J.Fruit and Fanny Drew selected as Messengers to the Association. Four Dollars sent for Minutes. Association invited to meet with the Church next year. J.V.Hopper elected Clerk and Geo.McPherson,Treas. Oct.10- One dismission by letter. Dec.12- Voted to observe the Week of Prayer the first week in Jan. Dec.19- The Pastor offered his resignation, which was referred to a committee for consideration. Dec.23- Voted to ask the Pastor to withdraw his reisignation. Dec.29- Letters of dismission granted. The Pastor asked for"further time to consider the question of his resignation."

1881- Jan.9 - Two dismissions by letter. Jan.16- No change in Pastor's decision to resign. Jan.17- Pastor's resignation accepted,effective from this time. C.C.Campbell,W.J.Knibb and Ge. McPherson appointed a com.to settle with Bro.Lenen. C.C.Campbell, W.J.Knibb and WM.Colthar selected as a committee on Pulpit Supply. Feb.16- Settlement with retiring pastor. Feb.23- One dismission by letter. Bro.Hopper resigned as clerk. March 13- Dr.Kingsbury the pulpit supply. March 30. Letter of dismission granted. James Knibb elected clerk. Dr.Kingsbury engaged as supply until Sept. at a salary of fifty dollars per month. Voted "that the finances of the Church pass through hands of Church Treasurer." Bros. Hopper,Knibb and Colthar appointed Finance Com. April 27-Covenant Meeting only. June 1- Deficiency in payment of pastor's salary reported. Action was recommended. June 29- George Richards baptized. July 3- Covenant meeting only. Aug.14- One dismission by letter. Aug.21- Bro. S.A.Kingsbury called as pastor at a salary of $ 600.00 per annum. Bro.J.Sholz voted a letter recommending him to the Rochester Theological Seminary as a student for the Gospel Ministry. Sept.17- Letter to the Association voted -(The meeting to be at Bethalto). Additions,by baptism.1; Dismissions-by letter,9;by death,2. Present number,130. Church expenses, $ 910.00. Foreign Missions,$ 11.00; Home Missions,$ 13.00; Educational,$ 21.40; Woman's Missionary Socy,$ 10.00; Other objects, $ 26.60; Minutes, $ 3.00. Total,$ 995.00. Messengers to the Association- Dr.Kingsbury, J.V. Hopper, Mrs.U.Atcheson and Miss Fanny Drew. Nov.30- Brn.Hopper,W.J.Knibb and Colthar selected as a com. on repair of Meeting House. C.C.Campbell,Johnson and Clerk selected as com.on revision of membership. Dec. 28. One addition by experience. Report from com. on repairs. Com.continued.

1882- Feb.1- A season of revival meetings the previous month. The Pastor was aided by Brethren Dougherty and Hopper. Good meetings,some members were visibly revived and although no other fruits have appeared,we are confident that the labor will not be in vain. Revision of church Roll. March Membership changes. June 11- Matters financial considered. June 18- Dr.Kingsbury resigned as pastor. July 2- His resignation accepted,effective the last Sunday in July. July 19-One dismission by letter. July 23- The Sisters voted to pay the Treasurer their sociable money to help settle salary of pastor. Brn.McPherson,Knibb and Colthar a com. on pulpit supply. Aug.2-The com. to help Finance

Committee discharged. Aug.30-Evening Services to begin at 7:30 o'clock. Sept.13- One dismission by letter. A Janitor to be secured. Oct.2- Conference with respect to a pastor. Com.on Pastor resigned. Brn.Owen,Church Clerk and Flanagin elected. Oct.25- "Brethren Hopper and Campbell were appointed as delegates to the convention held in Alton for the purpose of uniting the Edwardsville Baptist Association and South District Baptist Association." Nov.29- A com. appointed "to raise funds to pay pulpit supplies and the debts of the Church."

1883-Jan.3 - One dismission by letter. Debt of $ 96.90-with $ 62.55 unprovided for. Jan.24- Mrs. Emma Keirle received by letter from Alton Bapt.Ch. Jan.30.- Regular prayer meeting. No business. Bro. C.C.Campbell in chair. Feb.7- One dismission. April 1- "The Church ratified the action of the convention held in Alton to consolidate the South District and Edwardsville Associations." June 9- Rev. G.L.Talbot called as Pastor. July 18,25- Additions. Aug.1- Salary of pastor,$ 550.00, per year from July 1st. The Clerk to write the letter to the Association. J.S.Knibb elected Clerk; Geo:McPherson,Treas.; Deacons -one year,Geo.McPherson; two years,C.C.Campbell; three years,W.J.Knibb. Mrs.James Atchison,Miss Nettie Meissner,Miss Hattie and Mary Janson added to the Sociable Com. Aug.5-One candidate for baptism. "Said candidate died a few days after." Aug.22- Brn.Hopper,Dilliard and Campbell,with the Pastor,selected as Messengers to the Association. Three dollars for Minutes. Letter to the Association approved. Oct.10- One addition by letter. Decided on repairs to building- "to have the roof reshingled,to paint the walls and whiten the ceiling." The Sociable Com. requested"to place funds at their disposal in the hands of the repair committee" Arrangement for subscriptions to repairs. Report from Pulpit Com. Oct.31 and Nov.28. Reports on repairs of Meeting House.

1884- Jan.1- Net receipts of a recent festival applied to debt for repairs. Feb.27- Report from Treasurer as to actions of Repair Com. March.7- One received by letter. March 16- One dismission by letter. April 2- Consideration of the Church's financial situation and need, Resignation of Janitor. April 26- Com.appointed to circulate subscription for making up deficiency. May 14- One dismission by letter. May 28- Report from com.on subscription. Two dismissions. June 29- Resignation of pastor. July 2- Resignation of Pastor accepted. Brn.McPherson,Hopper and Knibb selected as com. on Pulpit supply and pastor. July 27- Action as to a pastor. July 30-Annual Meeting. J.V.Hopper,Moderator. Officers elected: Clerk,James M.Atchison; Geo.McPherson for Treasurer. Bro.McPherson was elected Deacon for three years. Indebtedness to pastor,$ 126.00; Janitor and supplies,$ 15.85. The clerk to write letter to the Association. One dismission. Aug.3- Action as to a Pastor. Aug.31- C.C.Campbell,Mod. Bros.Hopper,Dilliard,Knibb,Campbell,Atchison and Sister Johnson were selected as delegates to the Association. Letter to the Association approved. Sept.3- Action as to a Pastor. Sept.10- The sum of $ 35.61 was turned over by the Ladies of the Sociable Committee to help reduce church indebtedness.

The Treasurer of the Ladies' Sociable reported receipts of $ 195.61, of which $ 160.00 was paid out for various purpose. Bal.$ 35.61. Oct.1- Covenant meeting only. Led by Rev. J.F. Eden of Cairo. Oct.19- Rev. J.F.Eden called as Pastor at a salary of $ 700.00. Oct.29- Bro.Eden will begin his work as Pastor"the second Sabbath in November." Financial matters considered. Dec.8- Additions to membership. Dec.8- Bro.Edwards, the Association Evangelist,asked to help Church in evangelistic meetings. Dec.31- Matters financial.

1885-Jan.-Feb. Special Meetings. "After the week pf prayer, held in connection with the Congregational and Methodist Churches, the Church decided to hold a series of meetings which continued about three weeks. Conducted by Bro.Edwards and aided by the Pastor.' Although the usual amount of interest was not manifested we feel that the work was not in vain." Additions to membership. Jan.30-Miss Fannie Drew dismissed by letter to Third Church, St.Louis. Feb.22- Matters financial. Bro.Wm.Neil selected as chairman of a committee to better to better financial situation. Work on baptistry laid over. Feb.25- Matters financial."It was voted that a partial report from the Treasurer of the Church be given every month." April 1- Matters financial. April 29- Subscription to Pastor's salary,$ 512.90. Present indebtedness,$ 177.49. Sociable com,resigned. May 10.Baptisms. June 3-Report from Treasurer. Present indebtedness, $ 165.01. Subscription to Pastor's salary,$ 527,00. The Pastor, Mrs Drew and Miss Maud Campbell a choir committee. July 1- Present indebtedness,$ 189.15. The expenses for fitting up for the choir and of removing the library were ordered paid.July 19- Candidate for baptism. July 29- Present indebtedness,$ 205.57. Pastor and clerk to prepare letter to the Association. Bros. Knibb,Campbell,McPherson and Sisters Mary Drew And Lilly Dike were appointed as Messengers to the Association. Two dollars and fifty cents sent for Minutes. Com.on revision of church membership list. Aug.12- Membership total,115. Of these 13 non-resident. Matters of discipline. Com.to examine heating plant and suggest improvement. Sept.2-Matters of discipline. New heating plant ordered,to cost $ 125.00. Brn.McPherson, Campbell and Hopper a copper to supervise work. Letter to the Association approved. In it an invitation to meet with the Church next year. Sept.30- Membership changes. Matters of discipline. Also matters financial. Oct.28- Cost of furnace,etc. $ 136.00. Nov.1- Consideration of the Church's financial situation and need. A com. appointed "to canvass the Church for subscription to remove the church deficit." The envelope plan of raising the Pastor's salary the coming year was adopted, "each member being supplied with an envelope and requested to put his or her weekly subscription in the envelope for the support of the Pastor and current expenses of the Church, to be handed in at the Sunday morning Services." Nov.29."Bro. Charles Drew related his experience before the Church, and was received for membership and was baptized the same day by the Pastor." Dec.2-Matters of discipline. Report of com.on furnace. A janitor to be employed. One addition by letter. Dec.6- Report of com. on furnace and repairs. Total expense.$ 136.50. Of this $ 87.50 paid. About $ 100 subscribed to cover church church indebtedness. Provision made for subscription to pastor's

1885- Dec. (Continued) - salary in part only. The Pastor resigned, in effect one month from date. Dec.31- One dismission. Officers elected: Deacon, Bro. Campbell; Trustee, R.K. Barnes; Treas. McPherson; Clerk, James Atchison. Report from the Com. on Pastor's salary. "Voted to unite with the Congregational and Methodist Churches during the week of prayer." Proceeds of entertainment of Dec.30 placed in general fund.

1886-Jan 3- Bro. Eden's resignation as pastor accepted. Feb.5-Matters financial. Comments on sermon preached and later published in local print. March 3- Indebtedness, $ 166.99. Campbell, Neil and R.K. Barnes selected as Finance Com. Miss Ade Drew elected Ass't Clerk. April 7-Membership changes. April 21- J.V. Hopper, and Donaldson selected as delegates to attend an ordination Council in Alton. April 25- Indebtedness, $ 90.97. Membership changes. Resignation of Clerk accepted, he having moved to Gillespie. May 5- Two applications for letters of dismission. June 2- Applications for letters of dismission considered. One letter granted. June 9,16- Further consideration of request for a letter of dismission. June 30 - Indebtedness, $ 30.47. Sister Lillie Huggins elected clerk. July 15-One dismission by letter. A com. appointed "to raise funds and have the church house cleaned and repaired." July 28- Indebtedness, $ 5.58, with $ 2.72 in the treasury. Bro. Hopper to prepare letter to the Association. Aug.15- A com. appointed "to arrange for dinner for the Association on Thursday and Friday." Aug. 25- Letter to the Association approved. Geo. Owen, Geo. McPherson, Sisters Taylor and Lillie Huggins selected as Messengers to the Association. Two dollars for Minutes. J.V. Hopper, Misses M. Drew, Annie Owen selected as com. on entertainment for the Association. Sept.2-Large attendance at the Association. "An entirely harmonious session, and one that it is hoped was of much profit to our membership." "There was a hearty co-operation on the part of our members in entertaining the Association. And all appeared to be highly pleased with the result." Sept.22- Dismissions by letter. Sept. 29. Indebtedness, $ 14.48. Trustees "to attend to the necessary repairs of the Church building, and finance and make provision for wood for the coming cold weather." A matter of discipline. Bro. Owen and Barnes appointed a com. on finance. Nov.3- Com. selected to employ a janitor. A matter of discipline. Dec.1- Covenant meeting only, except that the Lord's Supper be observed the following Lord's Day. Dec.29-Poor Fund transferred to the General Fund.

1887- Feb.2- No special business. March 2-Indebtedness, $ 67.50. Some exclusions. Bro. McPherson resigned as Deacon, Wm. Neil elected Deacon in place of W.J. Knibb. C.C. Campbell elected trustee and L.A. Huggins, Clerk. Finance com. to audit the Treasurer's books. April 27- Geo. McPherson elected Treasurer. Indebtedness, $ 53.50. May.8- Bro. Wiley appointed to represent the Church in the ordination of Bro, Reynolds at Upper Alton. May 15-One addition by letter. July 3- Bro. W.W. Williams called as Pastor. July 13- Com. appointed to secure a janitor. July 31-Bro. Williams' letter of acceptance read. Aug. Bro. Hopper to prepare the letter to the

"The Trustees to attend to repairing the furnace." Aug. 7-"Bro. Hopper and Neil were appointed committee to circulate subscription paper, to date from September 1st, 1887 to September 1st, 1888." Aug. 17- Brn. Hopper and Wiley, also Sisters Taylor, Huggins, Drew, Atchison, appointed Messengers to the Association. Money sent, $ 2.50. Aug. 31- Bal. in treasury, $ 18.16. Sept. 25- Pastor Williams and family, also Miss Fannie Drew, received by letter. Sept. 28- Report from finance com. Brother Payne "appointed to see that the water was taken from the cellar and furnace repaired." Misses Fannie Drew and Hattie Huggins, and Bro. McPherson, appointed as a music committee. Brn. Cruickshank, Hopper and Barnes to have baptistry repaired. Indebtedness, $ 11.00. Nov. 2- Membership changes. Reports of committees. Bro. Payne "to get help to clean furnace." Nov. 9- One dismission by letter. Nov. 30- Com. on repair of baptistry continued. Bro. Cruickshank "to circulate subscription paper to obtain funds for repairing the baptistry." Dec. 28- One dismission by letter. Com. on baptistry continued.

1888- Jan. 4- Miss Nettie Meissner baptized. Feb. 2- Ethel Neil (Jewett and Katie Neil (McMillan) baptized. Also, Mrs. Emma J. Clark, Miss Gabriella Summerville (Mrs. J.H. Belt); George Meissner. John Calvin received by experience. Feb. 29 One dismission by letter. March 4- A com. on concert entertainment appointed. March 28- The Treasurer reported an indebtedness of $ 142.15. One dismission by letter. May 2- Indebtedness, $ 111.79. Partial report from com. on Pastor's salary. Three additions to com. on concert. June 10- One addition by letter. June 17- Pastor "appointed to sit in conference at the ordination of Bro. Ray at Upper Alton. June 27- A com. selected to revise the list of members. July 8- Treasurer reported an indebtedness of $ 99.27. Aug. 1- Membership 103. Membership changes. Pastor to write the letter to the Association. Indebtedness, $ 126.03. Aug. 15- Letter to the Association approved. Sisters S.A. Taylor, Sarah Huggins and Bro. and Sister Campbell selected as messengers to the Association. Pastor granted a vacation and Bro, Hopper to supply the pulpit during his absence. Approval of proposal from Ladies' Aid Society "to use money on hand for repairing and remodeling the church building this Fall provided a like amount be raised and added to it." Bros. Neil, C.C. Campbell and R.K. Barnes were appointed to solicit subscriptions. Aug. 29- Finances considered. The Treasurer reported the total of monies received and expended by him, this covering a period of 11 years, amounting to $ 8,783.96. Sept. 2- Finances considered. Oct. 3- Finances considered. The Pastor resigned, effective Nov. 1st. Resignation accepted. Officers elected: Deacon for three years, C.C. Campbell; Deacon for two years, R.K. Barnes; Treasurer, Geo. McPherson; Clerk, Mary Jansen. Indebtedness, $ 99.44. Oct. 31- "The Committee on remodeling and repairing pur House reported a draft for repairs and remodeling the House with specifications and estimate of cost." The Deacons were appointed a Pulpit Committee. Nov. 7- Discussion in respect to remodeling the church building. Nov. 28- Mary Jansen resigned as clerk and J.V. Hopper elected. Consideration of the remodeling of church building. Dec. 26- One dismission by letter.

1889 - Jan. 30- Voted to "observe the week of prayer in connection with the Congregational and Methodist churches, Bro. Neil to lead the meeting when held in the Baptist House." Dismissions by

letter. Indebtedness, $ 85.50. Committee on repairs to"be known as the building and repair committee of the Berean Baptist Church in the City of Bunker Hill, Macoupin County, Illinois. And that are hereby empowered by the said Church to solicit subscriptions and raise means, and remodel and repair the above-named Church's house." Feb.27- The Treasurer reported indebtedness of $ 74.40 and an unadjusted amount of from $ 20 to $ 25, advanced for Pulpit supplies. April 3- C.E.Campbell, Mod. and C.C.Campbell, Clerk pro-tem. Matters financial considered. May 1- Wm.Neil, Mod. Indebtedness, $ 55.43. June 30- Miss Cora Vernon(Galbraith) baptized. July 3- Bro.Hopper added to Pulpit com. Aug.21- Letter to the Association approved. Money for Minutes, $ 1.50. Nov.27- Announcement by Pulpit Com. that Bro. Fuller Swift had been engaged as Pulpit supply for service and Lord's Day at $ 8.00 per visit. Dec.15- Miss Irene Williams (Robbins), Miss Lucy Clark (Riemeyer) and Miss Nannie Walton McGovern baptized. Dec.29- George Cole and Miss Josephine Cruickshank (Mize) baptized by Bro, Hopper.

1890- Jan.1 Additions by letter. Jan.12-Candidates for baptism. Jan. 19- Baptism. Jan.29- Rev. Wm.Green of Upper Alton invited to assist in a series of meetings. One addition by letter. Officers elected: Deacon, Wm.Neil, for three years; Treasurer, George McPherson; Clerk, J.V.Hopper. Wm.Neil, C.C. Campbell and J.V.Hopper added to com. on repairs. Indebtedness, $ 57.72. April 30-Partial report from com. on repairs. May 14- One dismission by letter. May 21- C.C.Campbell resigned as a member of the Repair committee and C.E.Drew elected as a member. May 28- "The Committee on remodeling and repairing our House of Worship reported that $ 1000 was subscribed, with fair prospect for more." Fanny Drew, Lillie Huggins and Sarah S.Taylor a committee"to secure a place to be occupied by us during the making of the repairs." June 18- Two dismissions by letter. July 2- Committee on Repairs "reported favorable progress." No temporary place of meeting yet secured. Brn.Campbell and Neil added to the Com. July 30- Bro.Hopper resigned as member of Repair com. Clerk to prepare letter to the Association. Rev. J.F.Swift, J.V.Hopper, Mrs. S.S.Taylor, Misses Mary Neil, Thirza Cruickshank and Fanny Drew.. Fanny Drew, Clerk pro-tem. Oct.29- Reports of Committees. Wm.Neil resigned as a member of Pulpit Com. Dismissions. "Our repaired and remodeled Church House was completed and occupied the first time on the evening of Oct.29 by Covenant meeting. It was dedicated on Nov. 2,1890 by Rev.Graham. Thanks extended"Mr. H.Watson for his donation of a car load of foundation rock and a front door step stone. Also a vote of thanks to Mr.A Huber for the free use of his hall." Nov.2- Resignations of Hopper and Neil as members of Pulpit Com. accepted and the Deacons appointed. Dec.4- Bro. Neil, Mod. Invitation from the Bethlehem Church to assist in the ordination of Bro. W.P.Nelson. Any of the members present were authorized to represent the Church. "The question of having some special services at the Semi-Centennial of the organization of the Baptist Church in Bunker Hill was referred to the Pulpit Committee."

1891-Jan. 5- One dismission by letter(Chas.E.Drew to 1st Church, Decatur,Ill.) Jan. 14- One dismission by letter(Miss Nettie Meissner). Jan.28- C.C.Campbell,Mod. Report of Finance Com. Feb.10- Sister Alice Stewart dismissed by letter To Water Tower Ch. St.Louis. Feb.25- Rev.Chas. S.Roe preaching for the Ch. March.6- Rev. Chs.S.Roe preaching for the Ch. Albert Barnes baptized. March 22- Matters financial. April 29- Wm.Neil,Mod. Covenant Meeting only. May 24- Misses Mary Hilton(Olmsted) and one other baptized. May 31,June 7,14- Rev.J.G.Schleiman preached. July 1- C.C.Campbell,Mod. Cost of recent repairs,about $ 1600. Aug.12- Letter to the Association approved. C.C.Campbell,Sisters S.J.Taylor,Juliet Johnston,Mary Williams,Mary Neil,Anna Owen,Lilly and Hattie Huggins selected as Messengers to the Association.Money for Minutes,$ 1.50. Sept.2- Finances low. Sept.6-Rev.G.D.Kent called as pastor at a salary of $ 650 per year. A com. appointed to circulate subscription. Sept.9-One dismission by letter. Sept.30- Call of Bro.Kent as pastor completed. Oct.11- Beginning of Bro.Kent's pastorate. Oct.24- His removal to Bunker Hill. Oct.28- Additions by letter. Nov.11- One dismission by letter. Dec.2- No special business.

1892- Jan.14- Rev. Wm.Green preached for the Church in special meetings. (8 days). Jan.23-Chas.Baird dismissed by letter. March 2-No special business. March 30- Treasurer's Report(Oct.11, 1891-March 30,1892)- Received on Subscriptions,$ 261.70. General Coll.$ 25.40. Poor Fund,$ 1.66. Repair account,$ 2.18. Old Ch.Bk/E. $ 2.67. Total-$ 293.61. Expended-$71.24-Pastor's salary. Janitor,$ 5.70. Johnston & Bro.$ 7.53. C.C.Campbell,$ 52.50. Geo.McPherson & Co.,$ 6.39. Total,$ 143.36. April 27- No special business,except the appointment of a com.to revise the church roll. May 8,18.-Membership changes. June1- Officers elected: - C.C.Campbell elected Deacon for three years. Geo.McPherson elected Treas. and J.V.Hopper,clerk. Com.on revision of roll given more time. June 29-"Resolved,That the number of Trustees shall be three. Resolved, That William Cruickshank,Reuben K.Barnes and Charles C.Campbell are hereby elected Trustees of this Church for five years from this date, and until their successors are elected and qualified." (the trustees to have their election recorded.) The Church adopted"a letter to the Hon.David Gore requesting to use his influence and vote to close the Illinois exhibit at the World's Columbian Exposition on the Lord's Day." Aug.5- The Pastor to prepare the letter to the Association. Aug.17- Letter to the Association approved. Rev. G.D.Kent,Rev.J.V.Hopper, Mrs.S.J. Taylor, Mrs.Carrie Kent,Mrs.Mary Drew and Miss Ella Owen selected as messengers to the Association. Money for Minutes,$ 1.50. Financial reports. Aug.31- Matters financial. Sept.4- Matters financial. Sept.27- Attendance small and no special business. Oct.2- Rev.G.D.Kent closed his pastorate. Pulpit Com.appointed-Wm.Neil,Mod. Oct.23- Arrangement for pulpit supplies. Resignation of pulpit Com.,and the selection of another. Nov.2- No special business. Nov.30- Matters financial. Dec.88- Covenant meeting only.

1893- Jan.8 - Wm.Neil,Mod. Matters financial. Jan.18- Two dismissions by letter. March 1- One addition by letter. George McPherson resigned as Treasurer and as member of Pulpit com. Bro. Payne resigned as Janitor. March 8- Mrs. Maude Campbell Ahrens dismissed by letter to the Staunton,Ill.,Church. April 9- Wm.Wann and George Smith baptized by Bro,Webb. April23- Chas.E.Drew rec-

1893- eived by letter. May 3- Eugene Barnes and Sister Addie Barnes dismissed by letter to Church at Holdrege, Nebr. May 31 C.E.Drew appointed clerk pro-tem. C.C. Campbell appointed to Pulpit Com., in place of Geo.McPherson, resigned. Bro.Neil elected Deacon for three years. C.C.Campbell elected Treas- C.E.Drew elected clerk for one year. Neil, Campbell and Drew elected as Finance Com. A case of discipline. June 28- Matters of business and discipline. July 9- "The church ... called for business after morning services to consider a proposition from the Cong.Church to unite with them in union outdoor services during the heated term. A motion to accept same was carried. Bros.Wm.Neil and Chas.Drew were appointed a committee to make further arrangements." July 12- One exclusion. Sept.28- Letter to the Association approved (see ch.Minutes for copy). Rev.Isaac Monroe is pulpit supply. Miss Fanny Drew, Thirza Cruickshank, Revs.I.N.Monroe and J.V.Hopper, Mrs.Drew and Mrs.Neil selected as Messengers. Money for Minutes, $ 1.50. Mrs. M.L.Anderson received bu letter. Oct.1- Mr. and Mrs. D. Bauser, also Miss Nelle Bauser received by letter. Nov.1- Monoah Gray received by Letter. Nov.29- Miss Lillie Huggins dismissed by letter. Dec.24- Rev. A.W.Claxon called as Pastor.

1894- Jan.3- Bro.Claxon accepted call "on condition he be allowed a short time in the Spring to finish his course at College, which was granted." Mr. and Mrs. James Knibb rec- by letter. Feb.28- Treasurer's Report considered. One addition by letter(Rev. A.W.Claxon). April 25- James Knibb, Mod. Assistance to a member in distress. May 2- Report of Treasurer. An Advisory Committee of five, with the Pastor as a member, Ex-officio approved and appointed. To see three months- James Knibb, Chas.E.Drew, C.C.Campbell, Wm.Neil and Mrs. M.L.Anderson, the Committee. May 20- Miss Jessie Clark (Barnes), and one other candidate baptized this evening. May 30- Report of Treasurer. The clerk and Treasurer to continue until January. A com. on revision of church membership Roll selected. June 27- John Dickens received. Treasurer's Report. Aug.1st- No special business. Aug.15- Membership changes and some names transferred to Non-resident list. Letter to the Association approved (See Minutes for copy). Mr. and Mrs.James Knibb, Wm.Neil, C.C.Campbell, Mrs. Taylor and Miss Anna Owen selected as delegates. Money for Minutes, $ 1.50. Sept.19- Mrs. M.L.Anderson dismissed by letter. A vote of thanks extended Mrs.Anderson "for her zealous work in the Church, Sunday School and prayer meetings during the past year" was passed. Nov.21- One additiom by letter.

1895- Jan.2- An informal report by the Treasurer. Jan.30- The Treasurer reported for the year: Bal in Treas.(Jan.15, 94) -$ 4.30. Collected Subscriptions, $ 551.95. Individual gifts, $ 55.90. Loose collections, $ 57.71. Poor Fund, $ 3.96. Total, $ 673.82. Paid out- Janitor, $ 57.59. Rev.Claxon, $ 575.00. Expense accpunt, $ 32.87. C.C.Campbell, old acct, 33.50. Rev.H.C.Chapman, $ 8.00. Rev.Barnes, $ 5.52. Treasury over-drawn, $ 38.57. Due Pastor, $ 25.00. Load of wood, $ 2.55. Total indebtedness, $ 66.12. Other accounts to be settled. D.Bauser elected Deacon for three years. C.C. (32).

Campbell elected Treasurer and E.E. Drew, Clerk. The Deacons and Clerk to be the Finance Com. Bro. Fuller Swift invited to assist the Pastor in a series of meetings, the time of their beginning to be left with the Pastor. "Fuller Swift is to receive no stipulated salary but comes for what the Church will pay him. His usual charges are $ 15.00 week and accommodations." Feb.7- Protracted meeting began. Feb.22,25 and 28, March 1- Candidates for baptism and additions to membership. March 4- Baptisms. March 5- Baptisms, including Mr. and Mrs. John H. Neil. March 15-17- Additions to membership by baptism and otherwise. John Neil, Sr. baptized on March 17. April 3- Additions to membership. April 24-Miss Isa Knibb baptized. April 28- One addition by experience. May 1- Baptisms. May 31- Pastor and Deacons appointed to assist at the ordination of Charles Eads, Vineyard Baptist Church of Alton on June 4. July 7- W.J. Knibb restored to membership. July 31- Clerk to prepare letter to the Association. Report of Treasurer approved. Voted to extend "to our Pastor a 3 weeks vacation, to be taken sometime before the middle of Sept." Aug.21- "Mrs. Josie Mize, Miss Fannie Drew, Rev. J.V. Hopper, Rev. A.W. Claxon and Bro. W.J. Knibb" selected as delegates to the Association. Money for Minutes, $ 1.50. Dismissions by letter, among them Mr. and Mrs. W.J. Knibb. Oct.2- Brothers Albert Barnes, Willie Wann, Arthur Linton and George Wann elected as Ushers. Miss Isa Knibb and Willie Wann appointed to distribute song books among the pews at our different services. A gift of six copies of "Gospel Hymns # 5 to the choir by James Knibb. Oct.13- "At the request of the Pastor the Church voted unanimously to allow him to attend a series of Medical lectures in St. Louis during the Winter." Oct.16-One baptism. Oct.30-Financial shortage of $ 91.10. Dec.1-Four missionary collections to be taken during next year: Jan.1st, for Foreign Missions; April ist, for Home Missions; July ist, for Ministers Home and Oct.1st, for State Missions.

1896- Jan.8- No special business. Jan.29- Treasurer's Report approved. Received on subscriptions up to Jan.15-$ 651.14. Individual gifts, $ 32.65. Loose collections. $ 47.20. Rev. Swift fund, $ 90.00. Missionary fund, $515.75. Poor fund, $ 5.96. Paid out. Bal. due Treas. from 1894-$ 38.57. Bal. due Rev. Claxon, 1894, $ 25.00. Rev. A.W. Claxon, sal, 1895, $ 525.00. Rev. Fuller Swift, $ 90.00. Janitor-extra labor, $ 6.00; salary, $ 60.00. Missionary fund, $ 15.75. Expense acct '95-$ 42.70. Cash on hand, Jan.15, '96-$ 45.98. -Total, $ 849.00. Bal. due Rev. A.W. Claxon, $ 125.00. Subscriptions due and collectible, $ 54.80. Cash on hand, Jan.15, 1896-$ 45.98. Total assets, $ 100.78. Bal. of $ 24.22 unprovided for. The oil used during the past year donated by Bro. Newton Barnes. C.C. Campbell elected Deacon for three years. C.E. Drew elected clerk and C.C. Campbell elected Treas. The Deacons, Treas. and clerk to constitute the Finance Com. March 11- Voted to undertake the Home S. School work and appointed W.J. Knibb as Supt. March 15- Special Meetings considered. No action taken. March 18- Baptisms. April 1- Bros. George and Willie Wann, Albert Barnes and Arthur Linton elected as regular ushers for the Church. April 12- One addition by letter. April 15- Sisters Nannie McGovern, Mrs. Belle Barth, Mrs. Teeters, Thirza Cruickshank and Cora Vernon were appointed "to take full charge of the Junior Baptist Union."

April 29- Treas.Report-Cash on hand,$ 62.90/ Due Pastor-$ 100. Sunday School officers elected at the annual election-Wm.Neil,Supt.; C.E.Drew,Ass't Supt.; Nellie Gaunt,Secy; Lucy Ass't Secy; Thirza Cruickshank,Treas.; Fannie Drew,Librarian; Organist and Ass't,Nannie McGovern and Fannie Drew. Av.att. from Jan.12 to April 26,38. Officers,6. Number of visitors, 29. Total coll.$ 11.40. Young People's Socy reported the officers elected Oct.10, '95-C.E.Drew,Pres.; Arthur Linton, V.Pres.; W.R.Wann, Secy;Thirza Cruickshank,Treas. The Socy has raised $ 24.35. Paid out-$ 6.56 to Missions and $ 10 to Current Expenses. Miss Nannie McGovern and Arthur Linton elected Reporter to Baptist papers. Meetings well attended, spiritual and interesting. Junior B.Y.P.U. organized by Mrs.James Knibb on Sept.9,1894 with 22 members. Now has 25 active members. It has held during the year 8 socials at various homes. They gave $ 20.00 toward the sending of Miss Divers as missionary. Mrs.Wm.Meissner has been elected Pres. of the Ladies' Aid Socy and Mrs.Wm.Neil,Secy. The Treasurer reported a Bal.of $ 21.30 at the beginning of the year. Voted to pay $ 5.00 for lamp to be placed in front of Church and Also $ 50.00 during the year toward Pastor's salary. Voted also to give a lamp to be hung over the choir. Home Dept.35 members. May 27- Treas.report accepted. No other business. July 1- Report from Bro. W.J.Knibb as to Home S.S.Work. The Ladies' Society reported"having cleaned the Church,paying $ 2.50 for help and had also papered the vestibule and put a large lamp up over the choir and Pulpit." Four meetings held since last report. Net proceeds of entertainment by them.$ 20. Pastor made 90 calls in the past 2 mos. Resolutions adopted appreciative of a "Handsome New Pulpit"from Capt.and Mrs. J.H.Long. July 1- Juniors granted a vacation of two months. A com. appointed to revise the church roll. July 23- Pastor granted a two weeks vacation. July 29- Revision of church roll. Report from Young People's Socy and from W.J.Knibb,Supt.of Home Dept. of S.School. Money for Minutes,$ 1.50. Aug.2 W.J.Knibb,Mrs.Taylor,Mrs.Barth,Mrs.Drew, Deacon Bauser, R.K. Barnes selected as delegates to the Association. Also Miss Thirza Cruickshank. Aug.23-Letter to the Association approved. Sept.2- No special business. Sept.6-Miss Mary Goodwin received by letter. Wm.Wann reported the Association Meeting at Greenville. Oct.28- Reorts from Treas. and Pastor. The church "behind both in collections and payments." The Pastor a goodly number of calls by him since Sept.21. Dec.2. A new committee on Junior Work elected (Arthur Linton,Misses Fannie Drew and Cora Vernon (Galbraith). Dec.6- Mrs.Mary Eddington (nee,Grimes) dismissed by letter to the Nokomis Church. Dec.30- "The Pastor,after explaining his position regarding attending medical school,requested the Church to grant him 3 months leave of absence,that he may devote his whole attention to his studies with a view of finishing this Winter. On condition of the Church granting this, he would supply the pulpit during his absence,paying all expenses,and deduct $ 10 per week from his salary." Request granted,though reluctantly. A com.on new Hymn Books chosen.

1897- Feb.3- Annual Meetings. Report of Treas. Bal in Treasury,Jan,15,1896-$ 45.98. Cash on subscription,$ 616.74.

Individual Gifts,$ 18.10, Loose collections,$ 31.40. Missionary Fund,$ 27.16. Communion Fund,$ 3.80. Bal. due Treas. $ 76.61. Total,$ 819.79. Paid out. Rev. A.W. Claxon, bal. of salary, '95. $ 125.00. On salary, '96, $ 580.00. Janitor, $ 60.00. Mission Fund, $ 23.56. Incidental Exp. $ 31.23. Total,$ 819.79. Indebtedness, Due Treas. $ 76.61. Due Pastor, $ 20.00. Due Foreign Missions,$ 3.60. Total,$ 100.21. Good subscription,$ 75.00. Unprovided for,$ 25.21. Voted to purchase hymn books. All the officers re-elected. C.C. Campbell, Treas. C.E. Drew, Clerk. Wm. Neil, Deacon. C.C. Campbell, R.K. Barnes and Wm. Cruickshank, Trustees. Wm. and George Wann, Arthur Linton and Albert Barnes elected Ushers. March 3- Subscription for purchas of books to be circulated. Mch 14- The church prayer meeting to be omitted "during the Kilgore revival meetings to be held at the M.E. Church." Mch 28, April 11, May 12-Candidates for baptism. May 19-Baptisms-Among them Miss Sadie Hilton(Cooper) and Miss Laura Hilton. June 6- Mrs. Louisa E. Hilton received. July 14-One baptism. July 28- Pastor granted two weeks vacation. Aug. 22- Letter to the Association approved. Mrs. Sarah Taylor, Mrs. E.S. Williams, W.J. Knibb and the Deacons selected as delegates. Money for Minutes,$ 1.50. Sept. 29- Treasurer reported- Cash on hand,$ 48.48. Due Pastor to date,$ 140.00. Other debts,$ 15.00. Uncollected subscriptions,$ 280.00. Dec. 12-One addition by letter.

1898- Jan. 26- One dismission by letter. Feb. 2- Annual Meeting. Report of Treasurer. Received- Sub. coll. $ 636.50. Loose coll. $ 37.11. Individual gifts,$ 32.15. Mission Coll. $ 25.36. Communion Fund, 3.28. Bal. due Treas. Jan. 15, '98. $ 33.81. Paid out. Bal. due Treas, Jan. 15. '97 -$ 76.61. Bal due Pastor on '96 salary,$ 20.00; on '97 salary, $ 555.00. Janitor,$ 60.00. Mission Funds,$ 28.96. Incidental expenses,$ 24.15. Music for choir,$ 3.50. Total $ 768.22. Debts unpaid on 1897- Pastor,$ 15;00. Treasurer,$ 33.81. Good subscriptions not yet paid,$ 50.00. Bro. Newton Barnes received a unanimous vote of thanks for oil donated by him during the year; also thanks to Bros. Campbell, and Drew for their services. The following offiecrs were re-elected: Bro. Bauser as Deacon for three years; C.C. Campbell as Treasurer; Chas E. Drew as Clerk; Arthur Linton and Wm. Wann as Ushers. The Finance Com. to consist of the Deacons and Clerk. Notice of the death of Rev. H.C. Hazen, a former Pastor. March 30- Treasurer's report. Money collected to date.$ 126.32. Paid out- $ 149.21. Due Treas.$ 22.89/ due Pastor,$ 50.00. due Janitor, $ 5.00. Repairs,$ 7.11. Total,$ 85.00. April 27. No special business. April 27- B.Y.P.U. report under date of Feb. 2- for year 1897 up to Feb. 1st. Money received for year 1897 up to Feb. 1st. $ 24.47. Paid out: on church salary; $ 10.00; Delegate to Taylorville; $ 1.25. Home Missiond,$ 1.79. State Missions,$ 1.93; Foreign Missions,$ 1.85; Founding Fund,$ 1.51; Topic cards,$ 1.07. Total,$ 19.40. Bal in Treas.$ 4.11. Aug. 3- The clerk and Pastor to write the letter to the Association. Aug. 7- Rev. A.W. Claxon resigned as pastor, to take effect Nov. 15, 1898. Sept. 10- The Pastor urged the acceptance of his resignation, to take effect immediately. Bro. Claxon dismissed by letter to the Baptist Church at Ewing, Ill. C.E. Drew, W.J. Knibb and Arthur Linton selected

as Pulpit Committee; the Deacons included. Oct.16- Report from the Pulpit Com. Rev.Heritage called as pastor. Oct.30- Bro.Heritage declined the call"having accepted a call elsewhere." Lucy Clark(Riemeyer) dismissed by letter to Ft. Smith,Ark. Nov.2- Report of Treasurer. Amount collected to date,$ 489.64. Paid out,-$ 532.87. Over-drawn,$ 43.23. Dec.11- Hattie F.Wright dismissed by letter.

1899- Feb.1- Annual Meeting. Report of Treasurer. Receipts, Subscriptions,$ $ 538.21. Individual gifts,$ 47.61.Loose Coll.$ 31.52. Missionary Fund ,$ 14.41. Charity Fund ,$ 17.75 Communion Fund,$ 3.07. Total,$ 652.57. Paid out-Treasurer,Jan.15,'98,$ 33.81. Rev.A.W.Claxon-on '97,$ 15.00. on '98,$ 365.00. Janitor,$ 58.84. Missionary Fund,$ 14.41. Charity Fund,$ 17.75. Expense acc't,$ 29.35. Music for choir, $ 3.60. Supply Pastor acc't,$ 111.50. Bal.in Treas.Jun.15/99. $ 3.31. Total,$ 652.57. Unpaid,$ 36.16. Uncollected subscription,$ 39.40. Coal oil for 1898 donated by Newton Barnes. One dismission by letter. Officers elected: C.C. Campbell elected Deacon for three years. Also elected,Treasurer. C.E.Drew elected Clerk. Arthur Linton and Wm.Wann elected Ushers. C.C.Campbell,Wm.Neil and C.E.Drew to form the Finance Com. W.J.Knibb chosen Trustee"to fill the unexpired term of Bro.Wm.Cruickshank,deceased." The Treasurer and Clerk given a unanimous vote of thanks for "their faithful services to the Church during the past year." Provision made for taking the regular missionary collections during the year. March 1,5,8. Rev. C.J.Coulter called as pastor. The call was declined. March 29- Covenant meeting only. April 23-Rev. Audrey A. Todd called as pastor, The call accepted,to begin June 1st. July 5- Action taken for the calling of a council to consider the ordination of Bro, Todd. Voted to send delegates to Pleasant Ridge Church to consider the ordination of Rev.L.C.Trent. The Pastor was named as delegate. Bro.Todd granted absence directly preceding the Council that he might prepare himself for it. Miss Lucy Clark received by letter from Ft. Smith,Ark. July 26- C.E.Drew,A.Linton,W.J.Knibb,Anna Owen and Thirza Cruickshank a com.to"meet delegates coming to the ordination of the pastor and arrange places of entertainment." The Deacons appointed to sit in the Council. Bro.Todd received by letter from the 2nd Church, St.Louis. July 28- Meeting of Council- Prof.D.G.Ray was temporary chairman and C.E.Drew,temporary Clerk. Delegates-From Alton,Rev. M.W.Twing,Rev. Samuel Samuelson,H.M.Carr. From East Alton, Rev.Edward James. From Litchfield,Rev.F.W.Carstens. From Upper Alton,Rev. W.L.Watterman and Prof. D.G.Ray. From Woodburn,R.H.Wood and Mrs.Allen. From Bunker Hill. C.C. Campbell,D.Bauser and Wm.Neil(the Deacons). Visitors- Rev. A.K.deBlois of Elgin, and Rev. R.B.Favorite of O'Fallon. Prof.D.G.Ray was elected Moderator and Rev. F.W.Carstens,Clerk. The Council expressed itself as fully satisfied with the examination of Bro.Todd and recommended his ordination. In the evening the Program of Ordination was as follows: Devotional Services,Rev. R.B.Favorite. Sermon,Austin K.deBlois,Ph.D.,LL.D.,Pastor of First Baptist Church, Elgin,Ill. Ordination prayer,

Rev.D.G.Ray. Charge to candidate, Rev.M.W.Twing, Charge to Church, Rev. W.L.Watterman. Charge to church and candidate, H.M.Carr. Words of Welcome, Rev. E.E.Frame,Pastor of Congregational Church, Bunker Hill. Benediction by Bro.Todd. Aug.2- Minutes of Council approved. Voted that the Clerk notify each delegate at the Council the appreciation of the Church for their coming and service.. A honorarium of $ 5.00 voted Dr. deBlois. Sept.10- Voted that "thanks be extended Miss Fannie Drew for supplying the table and desk with flowers for the past several years." Sept.30- A com. appointed to revise the membership of the Church. Nov.8- Report of committee on revision of church membership list. Some changes in membership. Arrangements made for uniting with the Congregational and Methodist Churches in a"service of prayer and preaching preparatory to entering on a revival if the interest seemed sufficient." Bro.Frame requested to preach the sermon on Thanksgiving Day.

1900- Jan.14- Rev.Geo.H.Thompson,the Harp Evangelist,was engaged for"two weeks work in Feb.for the sum of $ 50.00 and $ 10.00 additional for traveling expenses." Feb.4- Rev.Thompson began his revival services. Feb.26-Candidates for baptism. March 2- Baptisms. March 4-One addition by restoration. March 7-Treasurer's report. Bal.in Treas.Jan.15/99,$ 3.31. Cash collected on Supply acc't,$ 157.51. Subscriptions to Feb.1,1900,$ 427.82: Loose Coll.$ 36:15. Missionary Fund,$ 25.80. Communion Fund, $ 2.78. DeBlois, $ 5.00. Singing books,$ 9.20.Total,$ 667.57. Paid out. Bal.due A.W.Claxon,$ 35.00. Supply acc't,$ 97;50. Rev. A.A.Todd,salary, $ 400.00. Janitor, $ 62.85. Missionary Fund,$ 25.80. Expense acc't, $ 27.95. Music acc't, $ 1.40. De Blois Fund,$ 5.00. Cash in Treas,Feb.1,1900. $ 567.57. Elections. Wm.Neol,Deacon for three years. C.C.Campbell, Treas. and C.E. Drew,Clerk. Deacons and Clerk to be the Finance Com. Arthur Linton and Wm.Wann elected Ushers for the year. March 21- Candidates for baptism.- Warren Mize and Miss Linda Clark. Baptized by the Pastor that evening. March 28- "After the regular prayer meeting,upon a confession of their faith and the recommendation of pastor and committee, Misses Hannah Bauer,Gertrude Schultz and Elsie Barnes were received as candidates for baptism and were baptized the same evening by the pastor." May 6- Mrs.W.J.Knibb received into membership. May 9- C.C.Campbell appointed a com. to investigate putting in of electric lights. "Miss Fannie Drew and Ethel and Kate Neil were appointed a com.on purchase of new wall paper. The trustees were instructed to see that the floor was properly raided and repaired in the portion that was sinking below the level." July 1- One addition by letter. The pastor granted"a vacation of the last three weeks of July." Aug.8- "Bros Campbell and Knibb were appointed to attend to replacing of brick sidewalk with granitoid pavement." Aug.14- Pastor Todd tendered his resignation as pastor to accept a call Terre Haut,Ind. Pastor and clerk to prepare the letter to the Association. Bro.Campbell,Misses Fannie Drew,Gay Summerville and Hannah Bauer selected as delegates to the Association. Sept.2- The pastor announced that he had reconsidered his resignation as pastor and that he would"remain with us for one year more." Sept. 5- Treasurer's Report- Due Treas.on 1899-$ 29.50. On expenses,$ 83.08. Total,$ 112.58. Repair acct,Shingling Roof,$ 69.00. Papering,$ 35.00. Window curtains,$ 2.50. "Comex"

cleaning ch.,$ 3.00. Tacking carpet,$ 1.00. W.J.Knibb, plastering,$ 2.00. Insurance,$ 31.50. Wiring Church for electric lt.,$ 16.79. Collected on Repair acct,$ 170.00. Deduct (Expenses) -$ 161.54. Bal.$ 8.46. Bro.D.Bauser resigned as Deacon. Oct.16- Miss Lucy Clark dismissed by letter to La Crosse,Wis, Nov.7- Bro. Bauser resigned because of his age and the distance he lived from town,but he would withdraw it if the Church would bear with him. Action on the "Wheel Plan" of missionary giving. Purchase of new Song books considered. Nov.28. One dismission by letter. Dec.5- No special business. Dec.23- Special Business Meeting(called by Pastor Dec.19). The Pastor asked release from pastorate, to take effect Jan.1,1901. Wm.Neil,Chairman of Meeting and C.E. Drew,Clerk. Resignation of pastor accepted. C.E.Drew,Arthur Linton and Deacons appointed as Pulpit Com.

1901- Feb.6- Annual Meeting. Report of Treasurer. Received, Subscription coll.$ 569.80. Bal.in treas.Feb.1,1900,$ 12.07. Loose coll,$ 54.24. Missionary Fund,$ 54.48. Communion Fund, $ 7.10. Revival Fund (Thompson),$ 115.20. Repair acct,$ 174.80 Singing book Fund,$ .52. Famine Fund for India,$ 7.75. Bal.due Treas.$ 75.81. Total,$ 1071.77. Paid out. Rev. A.A. Todd,$ 583.35. Repair acct.$ 173.54. Revival,$ 122.00, Missions,$ 54.48. Janitor,$ 52.00. Supply,$ 39.00. Sundry Exp. $ 21.15. Singing books,$ 9.72. Electric light,$ 8.78. Famine in India,$ 7.75. Total,$ 1071.77. Bal due Treas.$ 75.81. Bal due from members on their subscription,$ 105.59. Feb.17- Treasurer's Report re-read. Bro.D.Bauser declining re-election, W.J.Knibb elected Deacon for three years. C.C.Campbell continued as Treas.and C.E.Drew,as clerk. They were thanked for their services. Brethren Neil,Linton and Drew were elected as Finance Com. Feb.13- Bro.A.A.Todd dismissed by letter to Shelbyville. March 6- The Pulpit Com. recommended Rev.J.C.Shipp of Doniphan,Mo. as Pastor. Invitation to unite with Congregational Church in union Easter evening service,April 7,accepted. March 17- Rev. J.C.Shipp called as pastor. Voted to pay Bro.Shipp$ 25.00 to assist him in moving. April 10-Verbal report from the Treasurer. May 8- Rev. and Mrs.J.C.Shipp received by letter from the 1st Church of Doniphan,Mo. Voted to unite with the several churches in morning Memorial Services at the Cong,Church on May 26. July 10- A com.selected to revise the church membership roll. The Trustees were directed "to see if arrangements could not be made for providing hitching posts for teams and horses on meeting days." July 28- Voted to grant the pastor a vacation of two weeks,"to be taken at some later date when conditions were more favorable." Aug.7-Various reports, among them the report from the Com.on revising Ch. membership roll. Some changes in membership. Aug.21- Pastor and Clerk to write the letter to the Association. Money for Minutes,$ 1.50. Aug.25.Letter to the Association approved. Mrs.George Dike, Mr.and Mrs.C.C.Campbell and Mr. and Mrs. Wm.Meissner selected as Messengers to the Association. Oct.9- Treasury over drawn,$ 100.00. Hitching posts have been provided. Nov.6- Jeffrie Knibb and Wm.Wann to fill the unexpired term of Arthur Linton and Ray Teeters,they having moved away. Matters of discipline.

Dec.4- No special business.

1902- Jan.5- Gift of "a beautiful 10 light electric chandelier"by C.C.Campbell,for which the Pastor and Church expressed their thanks. Feb.2- Miss Belle Emery(Acuncius) received for baptism. Feb.5- Annual Business Meeting postponed on account of a severe snow storm. March 2- Otto Keirle, Miss Mildred Barnes(Fisher) and Miss Alice Barnes(Welch) were received for baptism. Feb.26- Miss Nelle Bauser dismissed by letter to the First Church of Dallas,Texas. March 5- Annual Meeting - Report of Treasurer- Received - From subscriptions,$ 606.91 Collections,$ 30.69. Missions,$ 20.12. Communion,$ 5.35. Revival, $ 143.04. Bal.due Treas.$ 91.49. Total,$ 899.60. Paid out, Bal. due Treas. 2/1/901.$ 75.81. Rev.J.C.Shipp,$ 500.00.Supply acct, $ 48.00. Expense acct.$ 55.57. Janitor,$ 48.00. Missions,$20.12. Electric light,$ 21.35. Revival,$ 130.35. Repair,$ .40. Total, $ 899.60. Bro. C.C.Campbell thanked "for caring for the finances of the Church and advancing needed money." Sunday School reported by Bro.Wm.Neil,Supt.,in a prosperous condition. Four scholars have united with the Church. The Ladies' Society reported $ 77.45 received during the year and $ 51.00 paid out. Officers elected: C.E.Drew,Clerk; C.C.Campbell,Treasurer; C.C.Campbell,Deacon for three years; C.C.Campbell,Reuben K.Barnes and W.J.Knibb,Trustees for five years; Wm.Neil,W.J.Knibb and C.E.Drew,Finance Com.; Wm.Wann and Otto Keirle,Ushers. Report from Pastor. April 9- Brief report from the Treasurer. Dismissions by letter. May 7- C.E.Drew elected chairman of Membership Com. Voted to unite with Cong.Ch. in a union service on Memorial Sunday. June 4-Report from Treasurer. July 9-Financial situation considered. Membership changes. July 30- The Pastor granted"a two Sundays vacation. Oct.8- C.E.Drew elected as delegate to the State Convention,with Wm.Neil as alternate. Mrs.J.C.Shipp elected as delegate from the B.Y.P.U. Oct.19- "The matter of purchasing a parsonage was brought up, a property being offered the Church for $ 575.00,which with repairs ampunting to $ 300.00 would make a good home for a Pastor." A com. appointed to investigate and "report to the Church when $ 400.00 had been subscribed." Nov.2- "The Committee appointed,reported $ 364.00 actually subscribed,with enough more in sight to make over $ 400.00. The Church then voted unanimously to purchase the property known as the Pettengill place for $ 575.00. A motion was made and carried appointing the Trustees with a committee to be appointed by the Ladies of the Ladies' Society to have charge of repairs," Nov.5-Financial situation reported. Nov.19- One dismission by letter. Dec.10- No special business.

1903-Jan.4- One addition by letter. April 8- Annual Meeting. Report of Treasurer. Received -From subscriptions,$ 680.05. Collections,$ 28.91. Missions,$ 43.23. Communion,$ 5.69. Parsonage acct.$ 11.50. Bal.due Treas.$ 65.50. Total;$ 834.88. Paid out, Bal. due Treas.'02.$ 91.49. Pastor Shipp,$ 600.00. Janitor, $ 45.50. Expense acct, $ 36.20. Missions,$ 43.23. Electric Lt.$ 16.46. Total,834.88. Bal.due Treas.Feb.1,1903- $ 65.50. Parsonage acct,$ 11.50. Total,$ 77.00 (unprovided for) Officers elected: Wm.Neil,Deacon for three years; Chas E.Drew, Trustee to fill unexpired term,W.J.Knibb,resigned; C.C.Campbell, Treasurer and Chas.E.Drew,Clerk.

June 10- Finances considered. June 14- Chas.E.Drew,Wm. Neil and W.J.Knibb appointed a com.on Subscription. July 8- The pastor granted a vacation of two Sundays. Aug.19- Della Nautkes(Boyer) baptized. Aug.23- Mrs. Minnie Turner received by letter from the Woodburn Church. Sept.27- One dismission by letter. Nov.11- Financial matters chiefly. Nov.25- One dismission by letter. Dec.9- Report of Treasurer and of Com. on subscription.

1904- Feb. One dismission by letter. April 6- Annual Meeting. Officers of last year re-elected. Parsonage Fund- Receipts,$ 918.37. Expenditures,$ 1001.45. Overdrawn, $ 83.08. Pastor and Deacons appointed to attend Council at Centerville to advise as to ordination of Bro. Hoffstetter. May 1- A vote of thanks extended to Brothers Campbell,Drew and committee of ladies for their work on the parsonage. May 5- Officers re-elected: W.J.Knibb as Deacon for three years; C.C.Campbell as Treasurer and C.E. Drew as Clerk. Aug.10- Report of Treasurer. Aug.14- Rev. J.C.Shipp resigned as pastor,to take effect Sept. 15. C.C.Campbell,Mod. Aug.21- Resignation of pastor accepted. Aug. 24- Pastor Shipp and such others as could attend were appointed delegates to the Association. Nov.6- Rev.G.P.Mitchell unanimously chosen as Pastor,his work to begin Jan.1,1905. Nov.27.- Bro. Mitchell's letter of acceptance read at the morning Service.

1905- Jan.15- Rev. and Mrs. G.P.Mitchell and Miss Hazel Mitchell received by letter from the Nokomis Baptist Church. March 19- Rev. and Mrs. J.C. Shipp dismissed by letter to the Church at What Cheer,Iowa. March 31- Annual Meeting. Report of Treasurer. Received. Subscriptions,$ 497.20. Collections,$ 56.53. Communion Coll.,$ 5.04. Mission Coll, $ 24.15. Parsonage acct.$ 5.75. Bal.due Treas.$ 88.00. Total,$ 676.67. Paid out,$ Bal.due Treas.Feb.1,1904, $ 34.60. Rev.J.C.Shipp,$ 425.00. Janitor,$ 44.00. Expense, $ 47.65. Missions,$ 24.15. Elect.Light,$ 13.24. Supply acct,$ 85.00. Parsonage acct,$ 3.03. Total,$ 676.67. Bal. due Treas.$ 88.00. Parsonage,$ 2.72. Total-$ 90.72. Voted "to change the Annual Meeting from Feb.1st to Jany 1st of each year." Parsonage account- Bal.due against parsonage,$ 122.31. Paid Insurance and taxes,$ 20.37. Paid expense,$ 1.80. Total,$ 144.48. Received from rentals, $ 83.05. From Ladies' Society,$ 61.43. Total,$ 144.48. The Ladies' Society thanked by the Church. Officers elected: C.C.Campbell,Deacon,three years. Also elected Treasurer. C.E.Drew elected Clerk. Jeffries Knibb and Chas. Smith elected Ushers. May 5- Report of Treasurer. May 21- Additions by letter. June 2.- Report of Treasurer. June 16- Lord's Supper to be observed bi-monthly,beginning July 1st. June 30. Report of Treasurer. July 9- One baptism. Sept.10- One addition by letter. Sept.24-Letter to the Association approved. "Deacons W.J.Knibb,Wm.Neil,Sisters Mrs. C.C.Campbell,Mrs.G.L. Barth,Mrs.E.L.Williams,Mrs.Josie Mize" were chosen as delegates. Money for Minutes.$ 1.50. Oct.6- Report of Treasurer. A collection for Ministerial Education

suggested and to be taken once each year. A vacancy being caused by Chas. Smith's removal to California, H.H.Truesdale was elected to fill his unexpired term as Usher. Nov.10- One dismission by letter. Dec.29- One dismission by letter.

1906- Jan.4- Miss Ida Bauer baptized. Jan.19- Annual Meeting. Report of Treasurer. Subscription, $ 625.32. Loose coll. $ 115.45. Rent of parsonage, $ 66.70. Missions, $ 69.18. Hillsboro Church, $ 6.65. Salvation Army, $ 4.00. Communion Fund, $ 5.75. Lamp sold, $ 2.00. Treas. over-drawn, $ 71.71. Paid out. Bal. due Treas. Jan. 1, 1905, $ 88.00. Rev. G.P.Mitchell, $ 626.70. Expense acct. $ 73.45. Janitor, $ 44.75. Insurance, $ 31.50. Foreign Missions, $ 21.55. Home Missions, $ 18.00. State Missions, $ 22.55. Ministers Home, $ 7.08. Electric Light, $ 21.03. Hillsboro Church, $ 6.65. Salvation Army, $ 4.00. Parsonage acct, $ 1.50. Total, $ 966.76. Election of officers, C.E. Drew, Clerk and C.C.Campbell, Treasurer. Wm.Neil, Deacon for three years. John Neil and J.H. Truesdale, Ushers for one year. C.E.Drew, Chorister for one year. Mrs. Bello Barth, organist and Miss Fannie Drew, Ass't organist, one year. An annual collection to be taken for Christian Education, the time of the coll. to be appointed later. Jan.26- Resignation of organist and ass't organist. Feb.18- Additions to membership; among them were Mr. and Mrs. J.H. Truesdale by letter from the First Baptist Church of Dallas, Texas. March 9- Matters of finance. March 25.- One addition by letter. April 1- Membership changes. April 8- Baptisms after evening service. April 28- "At the morning Church service upon recommendation of the deacons Elmer Turner was received as a candidate for baptism and was baptized the same evening by the Pastor." May.4 - One dismission by letter. June 1- Committee appointed to meet with the Upper Alton Church to consider the ordination of A.W.Judd to the Ministry. Deacons Campbell and Knibb were the committee. June 8- One addition by experience. Baptisms that evening. June 26- Membership changes- July 13- Baptisms. July 20- Report of Treasurer. Aug.5- Improvement of church building considered. C.C.Campbell, Wm.Neil, W.J.Knibb, Albert N. Barnes and C.E.Drew appointed a com. to investigate and report. One addition by letter. Sept.17- Letter to the Association approved. C.C.Campbell, Mrs.C.C.Campbell, Mr and Mrs.R.K.Barnes, Miss Nelle Bauser and C.E.Drew selected as delegates. Oct.12- Report of Treasurer and of com. on improvements to church building. No definite action then possible. The purchase of a carpet decided upon and a com. appointed to solicit funds for its purchase.

1907- Jan.4- Annual Meeting- Report of Treasurer. Received- Subscriptions, $ 641.97. Loose coll, $ 141.48. Parsonage rent, $ 100.00. Mission coll. $ 134.12. San Francisco coll, $ 13.45. Communion coll. $ 5.30. Total, $ 1036.32. Disbursements, Bal due Treas. for 1905, $ 71.71. Rev.G.P.Mitchell, $ 624.00. Expense acct, $ 67.15. Janitor, $ 48.00. Foreign Missions, $ 40.25. Home Missions, $ 42.30. State Missions, $ 35.96. Ministers Home, $ 15.61. Electric Light acct. $ 24.88. San Francisco Fund, $ 13.45. Parsonage repair, $ 15.51. Cash in Treasury, $ 37.50. Total, $ 1036.32. The ladies bought a carpet and money to pay for it practically raised. Election of officers; W.J.Knibb, Deacon for three years

C.C.Campbell;J.H.Truesdale and C.E.Drew,Trustees for 5 years. C.C.Campbell,Treasurer and C.E.Drew,Clerk. J.H.Neil and J.H. Truesdale,Ushers. Board of Deacons and Clerk were constituted the Finance Com. Bros. Campbell and Drew were thanked for their services the past year. The annual coll.for Christian Education to be taken the Second Sunday in August. The financial condition the best"for many years." "For the many manifold blessings of God all were deeply grateful and the meeting closed with the singing of the Doxology." Feb.10- Linda Clark was dismissed by letter. March 10- Rev.G.P.Mitchell resigned as Pastor,he having been called to the Church at Galva,Ill. "With much regret the Church voted to accept the resignation, Bro.Mitchell leaves with the love and respect of all." March 24- Rev. A.W. Judd called as Pastor,to begin his labors the 1st Sunday in April. March 29 - Rev.and Mrs.G.P.Mitchell and Miss Hazel Mitchell dismissed by letter. April 7- Rev.A.W.Judd began his pastorate. May 3- Mrs. M.L.Anderson received by letter from Fayettevillo,Ark. May 12- Mrs,Sophia Houck received. Voted to unite with the other churches in a union revival effort to begin in Sept. and also to unite in a union service on May 19 on account of Baccalaureate sermon. May 24- "At the prayer service Clara Houck and Georgia Emery were baptized." Voted to purchase Church Manuals. Oct.30- Baptisms(see membership list). Nov.3- The right hand of Church fellowship"extended to all the new members at the regular Communion service." Nov.6- Voted to hold the"Communion on the first Sabbath of each month." Miss Bertha Houck(Mrs.J.Elroy Davis) received. Nov.24- Additions by letter. Dec.1- One addition on relation of experience.

1908-Jan.8- Annual Meeting- Report of Treasurer. Cash in Treasury,Jan.1/07-$ 39.55. Collected on subscriptions,$ 627.94. Loose coll.$ 95.46. Rent of parsonage,$ 46.70. Missions, $ 138.09. Ministerial education,$ 14.10. Communion,$ 8.68. Ministers' Home,$ 12.10. Repairs,$ 111.00. Collection by Ladies for carpet,$ 76.75. Total,$ 1170.37. Paid out,Rev. G.P.Mitchell,$ 156.00. Rev.A.W.Judd,$ 421.00. Supply for Pulpit,$ 24.00.Expense Acct.$ 31.50.Janitor,$ 48.00.Ministerial education,$ 14.10. Foreign Missions,$ 58.36. Home Missions,$45.60. State Missions,$ 34.13. Ministers Home, $ 12.10. Electric Light,$ 20.96. Repair on parsonage,$ 24.65. Painting and repair on church,$;26.42. Insurance on parsonage,$ 9.60. Ladies for carpet,$ 76.75. Bal.in Treas. 1/1/08- $ 67.20, Total,$ 1170.37. Thanks extended to Treasurer and Clerk for their services. Sunday School Report by Miss Georgia Emery: Average attendance during the year,Officers, 13;Scholars,56. Total,70. Total coll,$ 104.94. Miss Thirza Brookshank reported for the Missionary Socy,"having sent a box to a missionary in Arizona,valued at $ 140.00;also,general coll., $ 15.38. Home Missions,$ 7.50. Foreign Missions,$ 6.00. Total,$ 28.88. Paid out for general expenses,$ 7.84. for Home Missions,$ 6.50. for foreign Missions,$ 4.00.Total, $ 18.34. Bal.in Treas.$ 10.54." Miss Clara Houck reported for the B.Y.P.U. Organized Nov.27 29th the following Officers: Roy Greer,Pres.; W.Wohlers,V.Pres.;Clara Houck,Secy; Georgia Emery,Treasurer. Membership at this date: 45 active; 2 associate;5 honorary. Total coll,$ 3.10. Expenses, .75 ¢.

Bal. on hand, $ 2.35. Officers elected: C.C.Campbell, Deacon for three years. C.C.Campbell, Trustee. C.E.Drew, Clerk. J.H.Truesdale, Head Usher. The Deacons, Clerk and J.H.Truesdale, the Finance Com. Two Visiting Committees appointed: one of men and one of ladies. Voted that the Church bear one-half the cost in the purchase of song books for the S.S. Resolutions adopted commending Editor Wilson for running a clean paper and keeping out objectionable "ads", etc. Jan.22- One addition by exp. Feb.2- One addition by exp. Feb.16- "Voted to unite in a union patriotic D.A.R. service at the Cong.Church, evening of Feby 23rd and Pastor Judd to preach." Letter of dismission granted. March 29. One addition by letter. May 6- Hour of evening services changed to 8 o'clock. Voted to unite in a union service at the Cong. Ch. for Baccalaureate service and to send discarded Song Books to the Bapt.Ch. at Burnsville, N.C. July 8- Financial report. C.E.Drew elected Deacon, to fill the unexpired term of Deacon Knibb, deceased. A com.appointed to draft Resolutions on the death of Bro.Knibb. Voted to add two deacons to the present board of three deacons, these to be added at the next annual meeting. Membership changes. Sept.9- Arrangements made for the entertaining of the Association on Sept.30. Jno Neil, C.C. Campbell, Mrs.M.Miles, Thirza Cruickshank and C.E.Drew selected as delegates to the Association. Money for Minutes, $ 1.50. Oct.7, 28, Nov.22. Nov.25, Nov.29, Dec.6, Dec.9-Membership changes.

1909- Jan.13- Annual meeting. Report of Treasurer. Received- Bal.in Treasury, Jan.1/08-$ 67.20. Subscriptions $ 685.31. Loose collections, $ 67.95. Parsonage Barn rent, $ 9.50. Missions, $ 187.09. Ministerial education, $ 13.65. Anti-Saloon League, $ 89.20. Bapt.Ch.Grafton, $ 6.50. Ministers Home, $ 15.75. Communion coll. $ 11.14. Total-$ 1153.29. Expended. Rev.A.W.Judd, $ 654.45. Expense acct; $ 44.50. Janitor, $ 48.00. Foreign Missions $ 84.30. Home Missions, $ 67.29. State Missions, $ 35.45. Ministers Home, $ 15.75. Ministerial education, $ 13.65. Anti-Saloon League $ 89.20. Insurance on church, $ 21.00. Bapt.Ch.Grafton, $ 6.50. Repairs on parsonage, $ 23.05. Electric light acct, $ 32.47. Bal.in Treas. $ 17.68. Total, $ 1153.29. The Treasurer thanked for his services. Deacon Wm.Neil elected for 3 years. C.C.Campbell elected Treasurer for one year. C.E.Drew elected clerk. The election of additional deacons postponed. Members of Standing Committees appointed: Look-out, etc. The pastor granted privilege of absence to attend dedication of Grafton Ch.in Feby. Membership changes. Jan.17-Two additions by letter. Feb.7- The Pastor, C.C.Campbell and C.E.Drew appointed to attend ordination of Bro, Clemens at Hillsboro. Feb.10- Miss Cora Wood baptized. Feb.17- Dr. and Mrs. L.D.Rockefeller received by letter. March 3-Baptisms. March 9. Reports of committees. The Church declared itself "to be in sympathy with taking an annual offering for the Amer.Baptist Pub. Socy, but no regular church offering to be taken, but the church to make its offering thru the Sunday School at its annual Children's Day service." April 7-One Deacon only to be added to present number and the term of office for deacon to be four years. Bro. George Jones was elected for a term of four years. May 2- One addition by letter. May 5- Voted to purchase screens for windows and doors. Voted to have a com. to draft Resolutions against Dancing and Sunday Base Ball. May 16- Resolutions adopted against Sunday Bale Ball. No Resol-

ution was adopted regarding the dance, "our records being sufficiently clear governing the attitude of the Church on this question." Sept. 26-Letter to the Association approved. Wm. Neil, Geo. J. Jones, A. J. Bellman, Mrs. Summerville and Mrs. D.H. Johnston, with the Pastor and wife, chosen as delegates. Also any others who may attend. Money for Minutes. $ 1.50. Nov. 28- One dismission by letter. Aug. 18- The Pastor granted a 2 weeks vacation.

1910- Jan. 9- "Voted to hold the annual business meeting for the election of Officers, Roll Call, etc., on Friday evening, Jan. 21, preceded by a supper to be served by the ladies in McPherson hall; the "Pastor to appoint such committees to arrange for the supper and program." Jan. 19- Annual Business Meeting- Report of Treasurer. Cash in Treas. Jan. 1, 1909, $ 17.68. Subscriptions, $ 113.49. Loose Coll., $ 76.80. Rent from barn of parsonage, $ 6.75. Missions, $ 211.94. Ministerial education, $ 10.55. Communion, $ 12.74. Charity, $ 24.40. Total, $ 1084.35. Paid out- Rev. A.W. Judd, $ 650.00. Expense acct, $ 25.98. Janitor, $ 48.00. Foreign Missions, $ 95.04. Home Missions, $ 75.00. State Missions, $ 41.90. Ministerial education, $ 10.55. Insurance, $ 31.50. Electric light, $ 24.56. Taxes on parsonage, $ 12.85. Wire screens for church, $ 40.75. Charity. $ 24.40. Bal. in Treas., Jan. 1/10. $ 32.88. Total, $ 1084.35. Officers elected: C.E. Drew, Deacon for four years. C.E. Drew, Treasurer for one year. Miss Clara Houck, Clerk. Standing Committees appointed: Look-out and Visiting. The Pastor granted three weeks absence "to assist Rev. Gilbert in a meeting at Troy, Ill., about February 1st. Jan. 21- Annual Banquet and Roll call. Reports from Officers and Church organizations. Miss Georgia Emery, Secy, gave the Sunday School Report. Av. att. of Officers and teachers, 15; Scholars. 47. Total average, 63. Total coll. $ 84.32. Receipts, $ 126.26, of which $ 7.36 was Bal. from previous year. Expenses, $ Expenses, $ 113.78. Bal. $ 11.48. B.Y.P.U. Report present by Miss Gertrude Emery. An offering taken "at the close of the monthly Business meeting." Good interest. The Roll Call followed- 59 members responded in person, 13 by letter and no response by 59. A social followed the Roll call. March 20. B.F. Plager received by letter from the Fosterburg Church. March 27-One dismission by letter. April 6- Report of Treasurer. May 4- Treasurer's Report. June 26- Candidates for baptism. "Voted to meet with a union Service at the Congregational Church to listen to a speaker of the Anti-Saloon League." Mr. and Mrs. A.W. Judd, Sr. received by letter. July 6- A com. appointed to investigate the matter of re-papering the church and report. July 24. Report from the com. on papering the Church building. Cost $ 100.00. Eighty Dollars subscribed. The Trustees to have charge of the Church cleaning and repairs. July 27-One addition by baptism. Aug. 7- Bro. A.W. Judd resigned as Pastor, to take effect in one week. Resignation accepted. "Remarks were made concerning the good work done by Rev. Judd and a vote was taken to show our appreciation of his services." July 24-A com. appointed to solicit needed for repairing the Church building, Aug. 10- Treasurer's Report. Rev. and Mrs. A.W. Judd, And Brother A.W. Judd, Sr., dismissed by letter to the Baptist Church at Nokomis, Ill. One other dismission. C.E. Drew, L.D. Rockefeller and J.H. Truesdale selected as a Pulpit Committee. It was suggested that

the Deacons have charge of the prayer meeting until a new pastor is located. Sept.18- The Clerk appointed to prepare letter to the Association. Miss Fannie Drew, Mrs. Belle Barth and Miss Emily Baird selected as delegates. Oct.22- C.C.Campbell, Chairman. Rev. T.C.Coffey unanimously called as Pastor. The call accepted, to begin work Nov.6. Nov. 13- Rev. and Mrs.T.C.Coffey received by letter from the Virden Church.

1911-Jan.11- Annual Business Meeting to be on Wed.Jan.25 and the Roll Call and Banquet to be on the Friday following. A com. appointed to arrange for the supper. Jan.25- Annual Meeting. Treasurer's Report. Ballon hand, Jan.1, 1910.-$ 3.82. Subscriptions, $ 680.45. Loose coll.$ 93.06. Communion, $ 13.03. Barn rental, $ 8.00. Repair coll. $ 175.88. Music, $ 5.85. Homo Missions, $ 71.32. State Missions, $ 51.60. Foreign Missions, $ 75.83. Bal. from 1910 Annual Meeting, $ 2.65. Total, $ 1181.49. Disbursements Rev.A.W.Judd, $ 412.50. Rev.T.C.Coffey, $ 108.00. Supply acct, $ 95.90. Janitor, $ 48.00. Taxes on parsonage, $ 12.09. Wood, $ 29.60 Insurance on parsonage, $ 14.40. Sundries, $ 14.75. Electric light, $ 21.33. Repair acct, $ 181.92. Home Missions, $ 71.32. State Missions, $ 51.60. Foreign Missions, $ 75.83. Baptist Ministers Home, $ 25.77. Cash Bal. Jan.1, 11-$ 18.48. C.C.Campbell elected Deacon for four years. C.E.Drew elected Treasurer and Miss Clara B. Houck, Clerk. Standing Committees appointed. Voted that the Ladies' Missionary Society and the Ladies' Aid Society be revived. Voted to unite with the other Churches in quarterly temperance meetings, if agreeable to the Pastor. Jan.27- Annual Banquet and Roll Call. Out of a membership of 134, there were 52 responses in person and 22 by letter. Reports presented. Sunday School: Av.attendance, Officers and teachers, $ 12. Scholars, 41. Total, $ 53. Total coll.$ 85.22. Other, $ Total, $ 112.83. Paid out $ 111.45. Bal.on hand, $ 1.38. B.Y.P.U reported 36 devotional meetings held on Sabbath evenings. Collections every Sabbath evening. "The Society has more than met its expenses." Rev. and Mrs. Howard of Litchfield were present and spoke. Feb.5-Standing committees appointed. Feb.8- Bal.of $ 5.25 from Banquet turned over to Treasurer to cancel electric light bill for parsonage. Pastor appointed a delegate to the Anti-Saloon League Convention at Springfield. Feb.26- Voted "to send our Representatives at Springfield a suitable set of Resolutions concerning the County Option Bill pending in the Legislature for the purpose of their support. March 8- Reports. April 5- Report of Treasurer. Resolutions adopted indorsing Senate bill #320 and House bill #421 "for the suppression of vicious resorts, like scarlet houses", and favoring action upon the same by our Representatives at Springfield. Gift of Bibles from the disbanded Macoupin County Bible Socy. June 7- Reports. June 18-Voted to send Pastor and C.C.Campbell as delegates to a council with the First Baptist Church of Litchfield to consider the ordination of Brother John A Howard to the Gospel Ministry, The Council to meet June 23. June 28- One dismission by letter. July 5- Voted in favor of "union open-air Services on Sunday evenings." Aug.9- Reports. Aug.16- Mrs.Mary Hedley Drew accepted for baptism. Sept.6- Treasurer's Report. A new church Record book authorized. Sept.24- Mrs. T.C.Coffey, Mrs.Josephine Mize, Mrs. Belle Barth, Mrs.Wm.Neil, C.C.Campbell, C.E.Drew and the Pastor selected as delegates to the Association. Letter to the Assoc-

iation approved. Oct.4- Reports. Record Book bought. A committee on "South Window" appointed. Oct.16- Rev. and Mrs. T.C.Coffey appointed delegates to the State Convention at Elgin. They were also granted a two weeks vacation. Nov.8- Reports. Dec.6- Report from com.on "South Window." It suggested no present change.

1912-Jan.3 Voted to observe the week of prayer, so far as holding three union meetings(Tuesday, Thursday and Friday) and reserving the Wednesday night meeting for the usual prayer meeting. Jan.10- The annual Business Meeting to be on Jan.24. Jan.24- Annual Business Meeting- Report of Treasurer. Bal.on hand, Jan.1/12- $ 18.48. Subscriptions, $ 618.68. Loose coll.$ 101.25. Communion,$ 12.67. Repair acct.$ 117.50. Barn rent,$ 10.00. Foreign Missions,$ 86.04 Home Missions,$ 68.68. State Missions,$ 50.00. Total, $ 1083.30. Paid out. Rev. T.C.Coffey,$ 700.00. Janitor Comer,$ 48.00. Electric lights,$ 24.61. Taxes,$ 11.18. Wood,$ 17.50. Repair of baptistry,$ 12.65. Expense acct. $ 11.90. Parsonage repair,$ 114.28. Foreign Missions, $ 86.04. Home Missions,$ 68.68. State Missions,$ 50.00. Baptist Ministers Home,$ 12.67/ Total,$ 1157.51. Bal. due Treas.$ 74.21. Sunday School Report- Av.att.Officers and teachers,11. Scholars, 46. Total Coll.$ 86.39. Received-$ 110.80 Paid out, $ 97.14. Bal.in treas.$ 13.66/ Total,$ 110.80. Clinton Farris, Treas. B.Y.P.U.Report, Membership,42. Weekly meetings and monthly missionary meeting, followed by a social. The Society gave $ 10 to furnish a bed in a hospital in China. Officers for 1912- Clara Houch,Pres.; Oliver Marston,V.Pres.; Florence Bullman,Secy; Gertrude Emery,Treas. Report of Ladies' Missionary Socy- Re-organized for one year, commencing March 10. Record of quilting, etc.for mission fields. Total receipts,$ 22.11. Paid out,$ 15.00. Bal.1.64. Officers elected: Clara B.Houck,Clerk; C.E.Drew,Treas.; Wm. Neil, Deacon for four years. Pastor and Deacons a com. to revise the church roll. March 13- Mrs. M.L.Anderson dismissed by letter to the 1st Church, Haverhill, Mass. June 26- Mrs. Mary Drew baptized. July 3- Money for Minutes.$ 1.50. July 10-Treasurer's report, Voted to leave to the Deacons and Pastor the matter of union meetings during the heated term. "(Note+ Union Meetings for Sunday nights in the open air were decided upon, and held at 8:00 P.M. Sundays on the Congregational Church lawn.)" Aug.11- Miss Margaret R.Coffey received by letter from the 1st Church, Decatur. Aug.25- New furnace in the parsonage arranged for. Cost $ 100.00. Mrs.Barth and Miss Thirza Cruickshank a com. to solicit subscriptions yet needed. Sept.4- Reports. Revision of church roll discussed. Sept.18-Two dismissions by letter. Sept.22- Letter to the Association approved. Pastor and Mrs.Coffey, Deacon Drew the delegates. Money for Minutes,$ 1.50. Oct.6- Dismissions by letter. Oct.9- Reports. Bro.Truesdale thanked for special service rendered. Oct.23- Dismissions by letter. Nov.6- Report of Treasurer. Dec.4- Report of Treas. A com. on Roll Call appointed. The Deacons appointed a com. to have charge of the cleaning of the Church. One addition by letter.

1913-Feb.5Annual Meeting- Roll Call."Of the 124 members.28 responded either by testimony or by stating some experience; 23 responded by letter. Report of Treasurer- Received- From members,$ $ 797.40. Basket Coll.$ 88.06. Communion,$ 9.94. Repair acct fund,$ $ 126.25. Home Missions,$ 65.00. State Missions,$ 30.53. Foreign Missions,$ 31.90. Home Missions, for 1913,$ 2.50. Baptistry expense,$ .50. Total,$ 1152.08. Paid out. Amount due Treas.1/1/12-$ 74.21. Rev.T.C.Coffey, $ 700.00 Janitor Comer.$ 48.00. Electric light,$ 23.90. Repair Acct,$ 122.45. Wood $ 26.25. Church Minutes,$ 3.00. General expense,$ 3.36. Home Missions,$ 65.00. State Missions,$ 30.53: Foreign Missions,$ 31.90. Ministers Home,$ 9.94. Bal.on hand, 1/1/13-$ 13.54. Total-$ 1152.08. Of amounts received on Repair acct $ 6.00 was barn rent and $ .40 ¢ sale of old furnace and of amounts paid $ 15.60 was paid for repairs to house by Rev.Coffey personally,but included in this report. The Treasurer and Clerk were thanked for their services. Sunday School: Av.att.Officers,13; Scholars,62. Total-75. Total coll.$ 122.70. Expenses Of school-$ 99.03. Missionary money paid,$ 22.95. Warren Mize, S.S.Treas. Report of B.Y.P.U. by Oliver Marston, Secy. Report by Treas. Cash on hand,$ 6.46. Report by Secy of Ladies' Missionary Socy. The Treasurer of the Socy reported a a Bal.on hand of $ 211. Election of Officers: S.J.Bullman, J.H.Truesdale and L.D.Rockefeller elected trustees for five years. J.H.Truesdale,Warren Mize and L.D.Rockefeller elected as the Finance Com. Clara B.Houck elected Clerk and C.E.Drew,Treas. Bro.Jones resigned as Deacon; the other Deacons to suggest a successor. Mrs.Belle Barth reported for the Ladies' Society- Received from dinner,$ 40.35. F on the dolls,$ 9.00.Total, $ 49.35. Paid to W.C.Waters-$ 8.00. It was suggested to the Ladies that they provide the Church with money for an individual Communion Service, the Pastor and Deacons to make the purchase. " A hearty vote of thanks was extended to the organist, Miss Lida Mize, for faithful and efficient service during the year." Feb.9- J.H.Truesdale elected Deacon for four years. March 9- Reports.Rev. L.H.Williams to make a two weeks campaign,beginning March 16. March 12- One restored to full fellowship. March 24- "Because of the inclement weather and absence of Brother Williams,caused by sickness,a motion was made to discontinue meetings for the present." (The meetings held for 8 days). April 2- Candidates for baptism. Reports. April 6- Financial. April 30-Rev. and Mrs. T.C.Coffey selected as delegates to the ordination of Bro,H.F.Gilbert at Upper Alton. May 7- No special business. May 14- Pastor Coffey"granted a two weeks' vacation,to be taken the latter part of May and the first part of June." June 25-Baptisms. July 2- An offering of $ 13.65 for a Brother in need. July 6"Thebeautiful new individual Communion Service was used for the first time." July 9- Half-yearly report of the Treasurer. The 1912 rate of apportionment to be continued. July 30-The Pastor and the Deacons appointed as delegates to the ordination of Bro. Harry Throckmorton of the Bethlehem Church at Centerville on Aug.5. Aug.6- Report of meeting at Centerville. Voted "to dispense with Wednesday and Sunday night meetings to unite with the M.E.Church in their Special Meetings." "The Pastor's request that he feel privileged to be absent about two weeks in the cause of Christ at some time he would mention later was granted." Aug.31- Candidates for baptism. Sept.3-Additions to membership.

Sept.10- Report of Treasurer. The Pastor and Clerk to prepare the letter to the Association. "The Pastor and Wife and any others that the Pastor might find able to go,were appointed as delegates to the Association." Money for Minutes,$ 1.50. Change of prayer meeting from Wednesday to Thursday ovg the next week on account of "a Public Prohibition Speaking."Oct.8- Pastor and one other (to be selected by the Pastor) to attend Council at Hillsboro to consider the ordination of Raymond Hall. The Church asked to raise $ 15 that the Alton Association may employ Rev. V.Colbert as the Associational Missionary. Oct.12- "Voted to use the collection taken on the 23d or 30th of November for this purpose." Nov.5- Change of prayer meeting from Nov.19 to Thursday night "in order not to conflict with the patriotic programme given at the school." Nov.23- One addition by letter. Nov.26- Dismissions by letter.

1914-Jan.7- Reports. Jan.28- Annual Meeting. Treasurer's Report. Receipts. Cash on hand,Jan.1/13. $ 13.54.Members Contribution,$ 734.85. Basket coll.$ $ 85.42. Communion,$ 10.52 Home Missions,$ 47.84. -For 1914-$ 5.00. Foreign Missions,$33.45 State Missions,$ 30.00.Assoc.Missions,$ 15.50.Relief Work, $ 39.15. Special,Meetings,$ 45.50.Barn rent,$ 7.00.Chair subs. $ .50. Balance due.$ 7.36. Total,$ 1075.63. Paid out.Rev. T.C.Coffey,$ 700.00. Janitor,$ 48.00. Elect.Lights.$ 21.77. Insurance,$ 42.00. Wood,$ 21.00. 1/2 Doz.chairs,$ 4.80. Gen'l Expense,$ 15.10. Parsonage repair,$ 1.25. Special Meetings, $ 42.75. Relief work,$ 39.15. Bapt.Ministers Home,$ 10.52. Home Missions,$ 50.34. State Missions,$ 30.00.Foreign Missions $ 33.45. Assoc.Missions,$ 15.50. Total.$ 1075.63. Due Home Missions,$ 5.00. Bal.due,$ 7.36. C.E.Drew elected Deacon for a term of four years. Clara B.Houck elected Clerk and C.E.Drew, Treasurer. Finance Com.:-J.H.Truesdale,L.D.Rockefeller,Warren Mize. The Trustees to find out cost of certain repairs to ch. building. March 25- Membership changes. April 8- Com.on repairs recommended that repairs be deferred for the present. Report approved. July 10. A.C.Kelly to act for the Church at Hudelson Home. June 14- Deacons brought in a report on Missionary apportionments, as authorized by the Church. July 8- Treasurer's Report. Aug.5-Reports. Pastor and Clerk to prepare letter to the Association. The Pastor to select delegates to the Association. Money for Minutes,$ 1.50. Sept.13- Letter to the Associationapproved. Dec.13- Pastor Coffey, J.H.Truesdale and Dr.Rockefeller were appointed to attend ordination Council at Upper Alton Church-Bro.F.W.Stewart to be examined. J.H.Truesdale,Dr.Rockefeller and S.J.Bullman to "prepare a letter to be sent to our Representatives in Congress for the purpose of supporting the Hobson Resolution."

1915- Jan.27- Annual Business Meeting. Roll Call - 27 responses by letter, 29 by testimony or experience. Report of Clerk. Treasurer's Report. Receipts.Membership contributions, $ 115.20. Basket,$ 74.10. Communion,$ 12.75. Sale of fence, $ .50. Barn rent,$ 4.00. T.C.Coffey,Repair acct,$ 16.00. Belgium Relief Coll.$ 11.05. Home Missions,$ 28.77. State Missions,$ 30.00. Foreign Missions,$ 30.50. General Deficit, $1.50. Total,$ 924.37. Expenditures- Bal.1/1/14-$ 7.36. Rev. T.C.Coffey,$ 629.00. Electric light,$ 21.99. Janitor,

(Comer)-$ 48.00. Wood,$ 24.50. Insurance,$ 33.75. Gen'l Exp., $ 2.44, T.C.Coffey,Repair,$ 16.00. Belgium Relief,$ 11.05. Home Missions,$ 33.27. State Missions,$ 30.00. Foreign Missions, $ 30.50. Mission Deficit,$ 1.50. Old Ministers Home,$ 12.75. Bal. on hand,$ 21.76. Total,$ 924.37. Sunday School-(Dollie Emery) Secy.- Av.att.Officers & Teachers. 12.; Scholars,55. Total,67. Gerald Baird,Treas. Bal.1/1/14. Coll.$ 97.55. Birthdays,$ 14.95. Children's Day,$ 13.84. Christmas,$ 5.06. Paid out- Birthday Offerings,$ 10.50. S.S.Supplies,$ 56.40. Shurtleff College,$ 5.00. Foreign Missions,$ 5.00. State Missions,$ 5.00. Home Missions, $ 2.02. - Am.Bapt.Pub.Socy,$ 15.00. Christmas Exp.$ 21.40.Pd. to Wm.Neil-Convention Exp.$ 1.85. Pd to Harry Jones for Children's Day Exp.$ 2.25. Cash,on hand,1/1/15-$ 39.23. B.Y.P.U. Cash on hand,$ 5.51. Received $10. Total,$ 15.51. Paid out. Shurtleff College,$ 5.00. Bapt,Orphans in Alaska,$ 6.00. B.Y.P.U.Rally,$ 1.00. Expenses,$ 1.00. Total,$ 13.00. Dollie Emery,Treas. C.C.Campbell elected Deacon for four years. Dollie Emery elected Clerk. C.E. Drew,Treas. J.H.Truesdale elected chairman of Finance Com,with privilege of selecting two other members. A unanimous expression of thanks to the pastor for his help in a financial way. Two dismissions by letter. The clerk and organist of last year thanked for their services. Feb.7- One dismission by letter. Feb.10- One dismission. Feb.17- One dismission by letter. Feb.21. Member ship changes. March 3- Membership changes. March 10-No special business. March 31.One dismission May 5- Reports chiefly. Mr.and Mrs. Wm. Slifer received by letter from the Centerville Church. The clerk and C.E.Drew to prepare letter to the Association. Sept.5 Sept.8- Report of Treasurer. A com.of Trustees and three ladies appointed "to look after the cleaning of the Church,with power to act. The Pastor "to call those delegates who attend Association at Centralia,Sept.29." Money for Minutes,$ 1.50. Letter to the Association approved. Sept 12-Letter to the Associationapproved. Oct.6- Representative of the Anti-Saloon League to speak in the church on the evening of Nov.7.(Sunday). Oct.17-The Pastor granted two Sundays off. Additions to committee on cleaning the Ch. Nov.17- Miss Pearl Slifer received by letter. Dec.8- Report of Trustees. Dec.8- Voted"that a letter of sympathy be sent to Mr. and Mrs.Porter upon the death of their son.

1916- Jan.19- Annual Meeting deferred to Feb.2- Feb.2- Annual Meeting. Report of Treasurer. Bal.on hand,Jan.1,'15.$ 21.76. Receipts. Membership Contributions,$ 692.26. Basket coll.$ 93.78. Barn rent,$ 12.00. Communion,$ 10;38. Associational Missions, $ 12.00; Home Missions,$ 33.46. State Missions,$ 26.45, Foreign Missions,$ 26.25. Total,$ 928.34. Expenditures: Rev. T.C.Coffey, $ 600.00. Electric light,$ 21.38. Janitor Comer,$ 48.00. Association Missions,$ 12.00. Home Missions,$ 33.46. Foreign Missions, $ 26.25. State Missions,$ 26.45. Old Ministers' Home,$ 10.38. Wood,$ 16.50. 1 doz,"Joy to the World" song books,$ 3.00. Parsonage insurance,$ 14.40. Repair on parsonage,$ 74.93. Share in union meeting lumber,$ 4.43. Stamps,$ 3.53. Incidentals,$ 4.15/ Bal.on hand,$ 29.48. Sunday School: Av.att.officers,13; Scholars,56. Total att. 69. Gerald Baird,Treas. Bal.on hand,Jan.1,'15.$ 39.23. Collections,$ 101.60. Birthdays,$ 15.19. Children's Day,$ 7.76, Christmas,$ 4.81. Paid out- Birthday offering, 1914- $ 14.95. School supplies,$ 61.30. Am.Bapt.Pub.Socy,$ 11.00. Shurtleff Coll. $ 5.00. Foreign Missions,$ 3.00. State Missions,$ 5.00. Home Missions,$ 5.00. Music.$ .40. Onoida Bapt.Inst,$ 5.00. Assoc.work, $ 5.00. Card supplies,$ 2.20. Christmas expense,$ 21.35. (49)

Bal. on hand, Jan. 1/16-$ 31.64. The B.Y.P.U. expended, $ 4.55. Officers elected: Wm. Neil, Deacon for four years; C.E. Drew, Treas. and Dollie Emery, Clerk. J.H. Truesdale, Chairman of Finance Com. The Trustees to put a drain in the basement of the parsonage. Membership changes during the year-(See Membership list). April 26- Mr. Bullman resigned as chairman of the com. on cleaning the Ch. May 7- Fifty Dollars raised to pay for cleaning the Ch. On June 7 the Com. on cleaning was extended a vote of thanks. Sept. 6- Letter to the Association adopted. Mrs. Coffey, Mrs. Rockefeller, C.C. Campbell, Wm. Neil and Pastor appointed as delegates. Money for Minutes, $ 2.00. An offering to be taken for Associational Missions. Oct. 12- Mr. and Mrs. Peter Jacoby baptized. Oct. 29- Nov. 3- The Academy bell purchased and placed in church belfry. Nov. 8- Pastor and C.C. Campbell appointed delegates to the State Convention. Nov. 12- Voted to hold a series of meetings, the Pastor to find an evangelist. Nov. 12- George Thomae baptized.

1917-Jan. 24- Annual Business Meeting. Report of Treasurer. Receipt Bal. Jan. 1/16-$ 29.48. Subscription, $ 698.35. Basket, $ 71.00. Communion, $ 16.79. Bell subscription and coll. $ 36.75. Barn rent, $ 9.00. Church repair, $ 60.95. Sale of church carpet, $ 12.00. T.C. and Ray Coffey, Parsonage repair, $ 25.60. Other, $ 168.31. Total, $ 1125.23. Expenditures- Rev. T.C. Coffey, $ 650.00. Janitor Comer, $ 48.00. Electric light, $ 19.55. Wood, $ 30.30. Repair of parsonage (T.C. & Ray Coffey), $ 25.60. Drain at parsonage, $ 26.25. Church bell rope, $ 38.60. Papering and painting ch. $ 42.37. Carpet for church, $ 37.38. Missions (Home, Foreign, State)-$110.45. Association Missions, $ 13.60. Shurtleff College, $ 4.00. Benevolence, $ 57.05. Gen'l expense, $ 2.00. Minutes, $ 2.00. Bal. in Treas. Jan. 1/17- $ 18.12. Total, $ 1125.23. Sunday School-Av. att. Officers and Teachers-12; scholars, 76. Total, 88. Receipts, Coll. $ 142.27. Birthdays, $ 20.26. Paid out. Birthday off. 1916-, 15.19. School supplies, $ 66.05. Song books & express, $ 19.40. Record book, $ 1.00. J.A. Burns, $ 5.00. Shurtleff College, $ 7.00. Benevolence, $ 6.00. Missions (Home, State & Foreign)-$ 24.37. Pastor coll. $ 10.03. Christmas, $ 10.45. Bal. $ 56.54. B.Y.P.U. Expended: Missions, $ 3.00. Cleaning Church, $ 9.40. Other, $ 1.39. Officers elected: J.H. Truesdale, Deacon for four years; C.E. Drew, Treasurer; Dollie Emery, Clerk. J.H. Truesdale, S.J. Bullman and Dr. Rockefeller elected as members of Finance Com. Organist, Treasurer and Clerk thanked for their services. Voted to have Bro. Meigs of Muskogee, Okla. hold a two weeks meeting, beginning Feb. 27. March 11. Bro. Meigs closed his meetings.-21 baptized, 8 received otherwise. Two baptized for Woodburn Ch. July 11- Pastor granted a two weeks vacation. Sept. 5-Pastor and clerk to prepare letter to the Assoc. Sept. 9- Letter to Association approved. The Pastor to select delegates. Sept. 12- Evening Services to be one-half hour earlier.

1918-Jan. 23- Annual Meeting. Clerk reported 29 additions by baptism. Present membership, 148.- 28 non-resident. B.Y.P.U. expenses, $ 10.12. Sunday School: Av. att. Officers and teachers, 14. Scholars, 69. Total-83. Collection, $ 146.45. Birthdays, $16.73. Children's Day, 11.39. Coll. for soldiers, $ 8.75. Christmas coll. $ 17.01. Paid out-Supplies, $ 80.69. Shurtleff College, $ 5.00. Birthday offering, $ 20.00. Missions (Home, State and Foreign)- $ 11.00. Red Cross, $ 5.00. Armenians, $ 20.00. Christmas expense,

$ 19.65. Christmas Collection,$ 17.01. Children's Day Coll.last year,$ 9.43. -this year,$ 11.39. Belgium children,$ 32.72. Soldiers,$ 8.75. Permanent Blind Relief War Fund,$ 5.00. Relief of War sufferers,$ 5.00. County and State work,$ 5.00. Incidentals-$ .60 Orphans Home,$ 6.50. Bal.Jan.1/18-$ 34.40. Church Treasurer's Report- Receipts- Bal.Jan.1/17-$ 18.12. Subscription,$ 634.95. Loose Coll.$ 107.39. Communion.$ 16.00. Other,$ 366.07/ Total, $ 1144.53. Expenditures- Rev.T.C.Coffey,$ 600.00.Janitor Comer, $ 54.00. Electric light,$ 23.37. Wood (8 cords),$ 32.00. Minutes, $ 2.00. Gen'l exp.$ 3.16. Repair work,$ 9.59.Cleaning church, $ 3.50. Special Meeting expense,$ 220.74. Belgium Relief,$ 7.50: Ministers and Missionaries Fund,$ 7.00. Morehouse Memorial Fund, $ 9.00. Association Missions,$ 51.30. Missions (Home, State, Foreign and N.B.C.)-$ 97.91. Bal.Jan.1/18-$ 23.46. Officers elected: C.E.Drew,Deacon for four years; S.J.Bullman,J.H.Truesdale and L.D.Rockefeller,Trustees for five years; C.E.Drew,Treas; Dollie Emery,Clerk. Finance Com:P.Jacoby,J.H.Truesdale and C.E. Campbell. The Finance Com.to adopt the Duplex envelope if thought wise. Treasurer,Clerk and Organist thanked for their services. June 19- Pastor and one delegate appointed to go to Litchfield on June 25 to the ordination of Lewis Randall. June 23- Voted to dispense with Sunday evening Services during July and August. Sept.13- Letter to the Association adopted. The Pastor to appoint delegates. Two dollars for Minutes.

1919.- Jan 26- Annual Business Meeting. Treasurer's Report. Receipts- Bal.in Treas.Jan.1/18-$ 23.46. Subscription,$ 802.70. Basket coll.$ 81.29. Communion,$ 13.90. Loan,$ 60.00.B.Y.P.U. coll.for Missions,$ 10.00. Laymen's drive for Home and Foreign Missions,$ 234.63. Other,$ 91.57. Total;$ 1317.55. Expenditures, Rev.T.C.Coffey,$ 720.00. Loan paid,$ 60.00. Janitor Comer, $ 54.00. Electric light,$ 16.99. Insurance,Church property $ 51.00. Wood (8 1/2 cord) -$ 42.00. Church envelopes,$ 2.50. Interest on note,$ .90; Home and Foreign Missions,$ 50.03. Same(Laymen's drive) -$ 219.75. State Missions,$ 26.00. Association Missions,$ 37.25. Repair acct,$ 4.20. Bal.Cash-$ 30.93. (True Bal.$ 12.86.- the remainder belonging to special funds). Total,$ 1317.55. Sunday School-Collections,$ 150.40.Birthdays, $ 18.71. Christmas,$ 25.00. Bal.Jan.1/18-$ 34.40. Total receipts, $ 228.51. Expenses,$ 161.66. B.Y.P.U.expenses,Service Flag, $ 3.75. Missions(Home and Foreign)-$ 10.00. Other, .75 ¢. Total Exp.$ 14.50. Bal.on hand,$ 13.60. Bal.on hand ,Jan1/18, 16.40. Sale of calendars,$10.00. Total receipts,$ 28.10.

Sunday School av.attendance,Officers and teachers, 12-Scholars, 59. Total,72. Officers elected: C.E.Campbell,Deacon for four years; C.E.Drew,Treasurer; Amanda Houck,Clerk. P.Jacoby,J.H. Truesdale,C.E.Campbell,Finance Com.; Lida Mixe,Organist. The organist,Treasurer and Clerk were thanked for their services. April 13- The Pastor,or some one appointed by him.to represent the Church at Collinsville on Thursday,April 17(expenses paid). June 8- "Voted unanimously to send a request to our Congressmen that Congress pass immediately an adequate permanent enforcement Code to carry into effect the 18th Amendment and War-time Prohibition." June 11.Voted to raise on the following Sunday the $ 50.00 lacking in the Laymen's drive. June 30.- The Pastor appointed a delegate to the B.Y.P.U.A convention in St.Louis.

July 20- Voted to discontinue the evening service, beginning July 27 thru August. July 27-"Voted to adopt the Apportionment of last year for missions, with an additional twenty per cent for this year's apportionment." July 30. The prayer service to begin at 8:15 until Sept. Pastor granted a vacation of two Sundays in August. Aug.31.-Clerk and Treasurer to prepare letter to the Association. Sept.14- Approval of letter to the Association. Two dollars for Minutes. The Pastor to appoint delegates. Nov.2- Bro.John Howard invited to give a lantern lecture on Nov.21-23 in this City, illustrating his missionary work in India. The other Churches of the City to be invited to unite"with us for those lectures." Nov.16- Voted to raise the yearly apportionment for missions on Sunday, Nov.30.

1920- Voted to hold Annual Business Meeting, Roll Call and Church Dinner on Jan.31,1920. Arrangements made for serving the Dinner. Jan.31.- Annual Business Meeting. Of the 149 members there were 50 responses by testimony or statement of experience and seven by letter. Treasurer's Report. Received-Cash Bal.Jan.1/19-$ 30.93. Subscriptions,$ 875.10. Loose coll. $ 124.02. Communion,$ 19.41; Collection of 1918-$ 13.90. Anti-Saloon League,$ 6.00. Mission Collections,$ 669.00. M.E. Ministers and Missionaries Benefit Board,$ 10.00.Total, $ 1773.36. Paid out. Rev.T.C.Coffey,$ 720.00. Electric light,$ 30.75. Janitor Coner,$ 59.00. Wood (6 cord)-$ 30.00. Church insurance,$ 38.00. Minutes,$ 2.00. Communion wine, $ 5.60. Repair work and material,$ 13.00. Road oil,$ 5.00. Associational missions,($35 and $ 35.)-$ 70.00.Anti-Saloon League,$6.00. Joint-Foreign Missions($ 88-$ 125)-$ 213.00. Joint-Home Missions($ 54-$76.50)-$ 130.00.M & M Benefit Bd. $ 10.00. -$ 19.85. Board of Education,$ 19.85. State Convention,$ 78.40. Philanthropy in Illinois,$ 40.70. Christian Education.$ 7.00. Missions Victory Campaign-$126.47. Publication Socy,$ 14.70. Cash Bal.(Jan.1/20)-$ 133.29. (True cash Bal.$ 108.38 after deducting $ 24.91 for Missions.) Sunday School (Wm.Baird,Treas.) Bal.Jan.1/19- $ 77.67. Collections,$168.62. Birthdays,$ 17.41. Other, $ 88.58. Total,$ 352.28. Paid out-Christmas expense,$ 20.25. Picnic expense,$ 28.40. Missions,$ 26.00. S.S.Supplies, $ 104.66. Roger Williams Day Coll.$ 7.06.Armenians and Near-East Relief,$ 100.00 Macoupin Co. S.S.Assoc-$ 10.00. Christmas expense (1919)$ 35.15. Bal.(Jan.1/20)-$15.66. Total,$ 352.28. (1919) Officers elected: Wm.Neil,Deacon for four years. C.E.Drew,Treas.Amanda Houck,Clerk. Salary of pastor increased to $ 900.00 per year. Bro. Drew and women of the Church thanked for their services. Rev.Dr. Edward P.Brand of Normal delivered an address on "Our Local Work." May 22- Voted to send a Resolution to Hon.Thomas Rinaker of the Constitutional Convention,Illinois,in favor of the reading of the Bible in the Public Schools of the State. May 29- Voted to send a letter to the two Illinois Senators in the United States Congress and to our District Congressman in favor of legislation for the relief of employees in the U.S. Postal Service. Aug.29-George Heal received by letter. Also Sisters Lena Heal and Elsie Heal Thomae. Letter to the Association approved. Oct.6- Rev. and Mrs, T.C.Coffey sent

as delegates to the State Convention. Nov.-S.J.Bullman resigned as Trustee. "His resignation was accepted with much regret at losing so valuable a member." Dec.19-Voted to make an offering Dec.26 for "European Famine Relief."

1921-Jan.9-Voted to have Annual Roll Call and Business Meeting on Saturday Jan.29- Jan.29- Annual Business Meeting. Thirty-nine members at the Roll-Call, with 14 letters- Total,53. Report of Treasurer. Receipts-Bal.$ 133.29. Subscriptions, $ 931.57. Basket(Loose)-$ 112.47. Communion,$ 16.65.Repair. $ 449.08. Other,$ 139.47. Total,$ 1832.53. Paid out-Rev.T.C. Coffey,$ 900.00. Janitor Comer,$ 72.00. Electric light,$ 20.40. Missions(General)-$ 25.85. European Relief,$ 142.19.China Famine Fund,$ 37.28. Repair acct(Roof,etc.)-$ 336.12. Taxes and parsonage,$11.66. Wood.-$ 52.50. Insurance,$ 18.24.Anthem books, $ 6.48. Janitor Comer(extra work)-$ 12.00. Postage,etc.$ 2.94. Tin work (Gutters).$ 15.26. Bal. Cash.(Repair,$ 112.96; Missions-$ 25.71;Church,$ 40.89)-$ 179,56 - Total,$ 1832.53. Sunday School (Wm.E.Baird,Treas.) -Bal.on hand-Jan.1/20.- $ 15.66. Collections,$ 225.53, Offering for John Howard's Lantern,$ 22.70. Birthdays,$ 19.15. Christmas offering,$ 37.28. Total,$ 320.32. Expenses,$ Supplies,$ 112.21. John Howard's Optical Machine,$ 58.00. Children's Day Music,$ 2.60. Salvation Army Fund,$ 10.00. County S.S.Association,$ 7.00. European Relief- $ 62.28. Christmas music.$ 3.20. Christmas Treat,$40.00. Bal.on hand.$ 25.03. Total$ 320.32. B.Y.P.U.Report presented bu Luella Manic. Bal.on hand,$ 7.97. Bazaar,$ 59.48. Other, $ 4.93. Total,$ 72.38. Paid out- Benevolence-$ 11.50. Other-$ 2.16. Bal.on hand,$ 58.72. Sunday School-Av.att.72. Chas.E. Drew,Supt;Richard Rockefeller,Secy. Officers elected: J.H. Truesdale,Deacon for four years. Chas.E.Drew,Treas. and Amanda Houck,Clerk. Miss Lida, Mize,Organist. P.T.Jacobi to fill the unexpired term of Mr.Bullman. Finance Committe: J.H.Truesdale, P.T.Jacobi. March 20- Resolution sent Senator Medill McCormich asking for the appointment of true men as "Regional Prohibition Supervisors." A similar letter also to be sent Senator Wm.B. McKinley. June 15- Evening services to begin one-half hour later. Pastor appointed to attend council at East Alton for ordination of Wm.McIntosh-Sept. Clerk and Treasurer to prepare letter to the Association. The Pastor to select delegates.

1922- Jan 25- Annual Meeting. A cold evening- Few present. Treasurer's Report-Receipts. Bal.Jan.1/21-$ 179.56. Members. $ 930.85. Loose coll.$ 107.91. Communion,$ 20.71.Repair subscriptions,$ 26.00.T.C.Coffey,Repair acct,$ 13.75.Ladies' Aid-Repair acct.$ 61.89. Sale of old brick,$ 11.90. Mission coll. Easter,$ 26.73. Sunday School,$ 36.65, Church,$ 482.04 -European Relief.$ 24.50. Total,$ 1922.49. Paid out, Rev.T.C.Coffey, $ 900.00. Janitor Comer.$ 72.00. Electric light,$ 15.00.European relief,$ 24.00. Missions-General Board,$ 575.00;M.& M.Board, $ 16.84. Taxes on parsonage,$ 13.08. Wood(6 cords)-$ 36.00. Minutes,$ 2.00. General(Stamps,etc.0.40. Repair(Rev. T.C.Coffey $ 13.75; Parsonage furnace,$ 37.50; Parsonage paint-$ 45.55; Labor-painting,$ 105.00; Repair work,$ 24.70)-$ 226.50.Bal. Cash on hand,Jan.1/22-$ 33.17. Total-$ 1922.49. Paid out. Supplies,$ 141.83. Missions,$36.65. Other,$ 85.63. Ladies'

Aid Society reported $ 211.04 in the Treasury. Plans projected by Church for the repair of the building-C.E.Drew brought builder's estimates to showw possible cost. Officers elected: C.E.Drew,Deacon for four years. George Heal,Trustee. J.H.Truesdale,Auditing Com. C.E.Drew,Treasurer; J.N.Barnes, Clerk and Miss Lida Mize,Organist. ("Supplies,Missions and other"on bottom line of previous page- refer to the Sunday School). March 8- The work of the Peace Conference considered and Resolutions passed approving it. Ratification of the Peace Treaties urged,the Clerk to send letters to the two U.S. Senators notifying them of the Church's action. March 12- REV.T.C.Coffey resigned as Pastor, to take effect in 90 days. Resignation accepted. J.H.Truesdale,J.N.Barnes,Otto H.Keirle, Miss Nelle Bauser and Mrs.H.Campbell selected as Pulpit Com. March 15-Voted to unite with other churches in union services during "Passion Week". April 9- Rev.J.J.Schuler of Farmington, Mo. called as Pastor"for an indeterminate period of not less than one year to be optional with either party on sixty days notice at a salary of $ 1000 per year and parsonage,first service May 7th." Sept.20.-Letter to the Association approved. The Pastor to select delegates. Oct.1- "A fine new piano as a memorial of the Bauser family. By the children of D. Bauser and wife. Church responds with a unanimous vote of thanks."

1923-Jan.10- Annual Meeting- Report of Treasurer-Receipts-Bal.on hand,Jan 1/22.$ 33.17. Member coll.$ 1007.60.Loose coll.$ 168.83. Communion,$ 18.30.Repair acct.$644.30.Bible purchase coll.$ 16.00. S.S.Missions,$ 15.00.S.S.Russian Relief,$ 15.00.Anti-Saloon League,$ 21.20.Missions,$ 519.07. Total,$ 2468.47. Expenditures,Rev.T.C.Coffey,$ 240.00. Rev.J.J.Schuler,$ 666.00.Supply acct,$ 30.00.Electric light, $ 19.42. Missions,$ 515.00.Hudelson Home,$ 17.30. Anti-Saloon League,$ 21.20.Russian Relief,$ 25.00. Asspciational Missions,$ 20.00.Bibles and freight,$ 24.08.Taxes on parsonage,$ 13.97. Grape juice,$ 4.60.Association Minutes,$ 2.00. Wood(6 cord)-$ 30.00. Collection envelopes,$ 1.50. Electric light globes,$ 1.50.Clock repair,$ 1.50.Ciling street,$2.00. Postage,$ 1.80. General expense,$ 2.00.Bal.$ 111.63. REPAIR ACCOUNT- $ 644.30. Paid. Lumber,$ 260.15.Carpenters, $ 129.00.Carpet,etc.Ladies' Society,$ 112.25. Hardware(Jacobi Hardware Co.)-$ 38.52. Paper (Jacoby Bros.)-$ 17.28.Mancell (papering-painting)-$ 67.40.Tin work-$ 7.00 Sand-$ 1.50. Parsonage expense,$ 7.35.Incidental exp,$ 5.45.Total-$645:90. Bal.due Church-$ 1.60. Election of officers: J.N.Barnes, Clerk; C.E.Drew,Treasurer. C.C.Campbell,Deacon for four years. Trustees-J.H.Truesdale,Cleaver Strunk and George Heal, for a term of five years. Miss Lida Mize,Pianist. Finance Com.-J.H.Truesdale,J.N.Barnes and Otto Keirle. Mrs.Mary Drew reported the Ladies' Aid Socy in flourishing condition. Thanks extended those who had helped in making the church improvements possible and to the Bauser family for the gift of the piano. March 7- Effort to help the Woodburn Church to settle its difficulties. Revision of church membership Roll arranged for. July 12- Membership changes. Aug.29- Voted to unite with the other churches in a union Sunday night Service the last Sunday evening of each month. Nov.9- Arrangement for an Every-Member canvass. The union meeting in December to be Dec.23,instead of Dec.30.

1924- Jan.9- Annual Meeting- Report of Treasurer-Receipts-Bal.on hand,Jan.23.$ 111.63. Members,$ 1030.55. Loose Coll. $ 168.40. Commision,$ 17.76. Woodburn Ch.,$ 50.00.Loan,$ 60. Repair acct.$ 2.00. Missions,$ 482.70.B.Y.P.U.$ 13.66. Sunday School,$ 115.70. Total,$ 2052.40. Expenditures. Rev.J.J.Schuler,$ 1000.00. Electric light,$ 18.34.Janitor, $ 72.00.Loan paid,$ 60.00. Woodburn Church,$ 50.00.Taxes, $ 13.97. Insurance(Bldg.$3000 and fixtures,$500)-$ 56.00. Minutes,$ 2.00. Sawing wood,$ 2.60. Incidentals,$1.50. Oiling street,$ 2.00. Postage,$ 1.44. Express.$ 1.50.Ch. Coll.envelopes,$ 16.89. European Relief,$ 75.00.Foreign Missions, $ 140.00. Home Missions,$ 95.00. State Missions,$ 70.00.Hudelson Home,$ 63.60. Children's Day,(Pub.Soey)-$ 27.10.Anti-Saloon League.-$ 31.00. Japan.E.Mission-Special.$ 30.35. Association Missions,$ 20.00. General Mission objects.$ 59.00. Bal.Dec.31/23. $ 142.11. (Due Mission acct.$ 18.77 and Repair acct.$ .40- leaving net Cash Bal.$ 122.94. Thanks extended Truesdale, Drew,Clerk and pianist for services rendered. Election of officers: J.N.Barnes,Clerk; C.E.Drew,Treas.;Miss Lida Mize, Pianist. Wm.Neil,Deacon for four years. Finance Com.- J.H.Truesdale,J.N.Barnes and Otto Keirle. March 30-Rev.J.J. Schuler resigned as pastor. April 13-Resignation of pastor accepted,to be excused after May 1/24. Aug.23- The Rev. Wm. Avery McClure called as pastor-vote unanimous.(See Records for terms of settlement). Nov.1-Voted to make salary of pastor, $ 1200 per year.

1925- Annual Business Meeting-(Held New Years Eve)- Reports. Ladies' Aid Society earned $ 226.74. Sunday School Receipts, $-324,36. Expenses,$ 234,46. Bal.$ 89.90. J.H.Truesdale elected Deacon for four years. C.E.Campbell elected Trustee, in place of George Neal,resigned. Mrs.Josephine Mize,Clerk.

Miss Lida Mize,pianist. After the Business meeting the church enjoyed a social hour and then held a Watch-Night Report of Treasurer-Receipts.Bal.Jan.1/24.$ 142.11.Members,Coll. $ 1128.01. Loose coll.$ 102.04. Missions,$ 555.18.Anti-Saloon League,Coll.$ 56.96.Repair Work.Coll.$ 224.74. Sale of old barn, $ 25.00. Total,$ 2234.04. Disbursements, $ Rev.J.J.Schuler, $ 417.00. Rev. Wm.A.McClure,$ 386.00.Pulpit Supply,$ 135.00. Foreign Missions,$ 165.00.Home Missions,$ 115.00. State Missions, $ 75.00.Hudelson Home,$ 40.00. Am.Bapt.Pub.Soey.$ 10.00. Education Fund,$ 15.00. Association Missions,$ 20.00.Anti-Saloon League,$ 56.98; General Missions acct.$ 59.40.Repair (parsonage) $ 260.50. Electric light,$ 18.22. Janitor,$ 84.00: Wood,$ 37.00. Grape juice for communion,$ 3.00.Printing Minutes,$ 2.00.Special- Gift to Janitor Comer for 30 years of service-$ 25.00:Filling baptistry at Fosterburg-$ 3.00. Electric light globes,$ 2.70. Church Coll.Envelopes,$ 10.20. Insurance,$ 24.00. Sundry expense, $ 6.75. Time certificate for proceeds of old barn,$ 25.00. Bal.12/24. April 3- Quarterly Business Meeting- Reports. C.E.Drew elected Treasurer (Neglected at previous meeting). Gift of $ $500.00 from Mrs.Keirle accepted and a letter of thanks voted her. Wm.Neil's request for release from service as Deacon. Feb.15- Gift of $ 1000.00 from Mrs.Ida McKinney in memory of her father and mother,the interest to be used for Church expenses. May 29- Brp,Wm.Neil made an Honorary Deacon for life. July 3- Quarterly Business Meeting. Reports.

July 5- C.C.Campbell resigned as Deacon and he was elected as "Honorary Deacon for life on account of his long and faithful service." Nov.6- "A letter from Mrs.Ida McKinney was read, in which she gave $ 3,500.00 toward the repairing of the Church. A letter thanking her for her generous gift was ordered sent to her. Building Committee: Deacons and Trustees, Mrs. C.E. Campbell,Miss Nelle Bauser,Lee Sutton.

1926- Jan.3- Rev. Frank M.Dunk invited to conduct a series of meetings with the Church,beginning April 1926.(He did not come,the Church not ready). Jan.6- Roll Call. Report of Treasurer. Bal.on hand,Jan.1/25.$ 258.31. Members on Subscription,$ 1311.03. Loose coll.$ 138.74. Communion,$ 17.94.Missions,$ 695.07. Anti-Saloon League,$ 77.25. New Building Fund, $ 2000.00. Total,$ 2678.34. Disbursements.Rev. W.A.McClure, $ 1200.00. Janitor,Jas.Kirk,$ 120.00. Electric light,$ 23.12. Wood supply (13 cords) $ 71.50. Insurance-Parsonage,5 years, $ 33.75. Repair of clock,$ 1.50. Oiling street,$ 2.00.Minutes of Assoc.$ 3.00. Repair acct,Parsonage,$ 10.60. Coll.envelopes and postage,$ 13.27. Flowers for Samuel Comer (former Janitor)-$ 5.00. Anti-Saloon League,$ 77.25.Murphysboro tornado coll.$ 42.60. Association Missions,$ 30.00.Foreign Missions,$ 285.00. Home Missions,$ 190.00. State Missions,$ 110.00. Ministers and Missionaries Benefit Board,$ 40.00. Am.Bapt. Pub.Socy,$ 10.30. Missions-general acct,$ 79.66. Bal.on hand, Dec.31,1925. $ 329.79. Total,$ 2678.34. Sunday School-Bal. Jan.1/25-$ 89.90. Receipts,$ 389.69. Total,$ 479.59. Disbursments. Supplies,$ 103.58. Christmas exp.$ 33.00. Other, $ 256.87. Bal.$ 84.14. Officers elected: C.E.Drew,Treasurer; C.E.Campbell,Clerk; Miss Lida Mize,Pianist. Office of Deaconess established and that two be elected. The Pastor to attend the Pastors' Retreat at Peoria,his expenses paid by the Church. Subscriptions received sufficient to insure the erection of the new church building projected. May 7- Voted that Mr. and Mrs. J.H.Truesdale represent the Church at the Northern Baptist Convention meeting in Chicago, Aug.17- Voted to install a steam heating plant in the church building. Nov.13- Voted to thank Wm.Fahrenkrog"for the use of his hall for meetings during the building of the addition to the Church." Voted on Nov.28-to attend union services at the Congregational Church, the new District Supt. of the M.E.Church to preach. Dec.3- Report of Treasurer. The Trustees authorized to borrow money needed to care for balance due on building. Dr. N.J.Hilton to preach the Dedication sermon. Voted "that the annual meeting be an all day affair and that the dinner be served at the Church." Dec.19-Voted to invite Mrs. Ida McKinney to the dedication service.

1937- Jan.6- Dinner,Roll Call and Business Meeting. Report of the Treasurer. Bal.on hand,Jan.1/26. $ 329.79. Loose coll.$ 137.07. On 1925 pledge,$ 41.07. Members,$ 1222.11. Interest on invested funds,$ 102.50. New Building acct. $ 7274.97. Loan.$ 2000.00 Near East Relief Coll.$ 29.00. Easter Coll.$ 10.82. Communion coll.$ 17.73. Missions.1925 pledge,$ 24.35.- 1926 pledge.$ 533.10. Total $ 11722.49. Disbursements-Rev. W.A.McClure,$ 1200.00. New building acct,$ 9467.92. Janitor,$ 125.00.Electric light,$ 29.72. Taxes on parsonage,$ 13.06. Insurance on church,$ 109.55.

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Wood -$ 6.85. Rev.McClure expense to Peoria,$ 7.50.Postage on letters,$ 5.66. Letters and cards,$ 6.00. Coll.envelopes,$ 10.39. Broom and Cola hods,$ 2.20. Minutes,$ 3.00. Thermometers,$ .70. Repair electric light,$ .60. Coal,$ 58.53. Rev.McClure to Alton acct. -Dedication program.$ 2.27. Easter music,$ 2.00. Near East Relief,$ 29.00. Association Missions,$ 30.00. Foreign Missions, $ 150.00. Home Missions,$ 105.00. State Missions,$ 60.00.General Missions,$ 241.00.Bal.Bldg Fund,$ 7.05. Bal.general Fund,$ 40.49. Total,$ 11722.49. Sunday School- Av.att.92. Total offering. $ 253.45. Birthday off.$ 26.39. Voted on Dec.26-$ 100.00 to building Fund. Bal.Jan.1/26- $ 84,14. Received-$ 464.17. Expended,$ $ 539.88. Bal.$ 8.43. Albert Barnes elected Deacon; C.E.Crew,Treasurer and C.E.Campbell,Clerk. Mrs.Cleaver Strunk, pianist. Miss Lida Mize was thanked for her services the past year. An additional $ 500 from the Ladies' Aid Socy to the Building Fund. Voted to inquire of Mrs.John E.McKinney"if she would have a bronze tablet installed stating her gifts in memory of her father and mother had made possible the building of the new part of the church." Finance Com. continued. Lee Sutton elected Deacon. Jan.23-Dedication of addition to church building. Services morning and evening. Pastor McClure directed the program. Dr.N.J.Hilton delivered the dedicatory addresses, A later gift of $ 2500 from Mrs.Ida McKinney toward the building debt. Jan.30. Resolutions adopted thanking all who had in any way helped in the building erection. Voted to unite with the other churches in their monthly union meeting the last Sunday evening in the month. Resignation of Rev. W.A.McClure as Pastor. May 8- Rev.Martin L.Long called as pastor. From Santa Monica, Calif. Rev. and Mrs.W.A.McClure dismissed by letter to the Grand Avenue Baptist Church of St.Louis,to which Church Mr. McClure had been called as Pastor. Sept.11-Resignation of Bro. Long as Pastor. Pastor and two delegates to attend Council at Roxana for recognition of Baptist Church there. Sept.25- Rev. W.Ray Cox called as pastor "for eleven months, or up to Sept.1,1928, at a salary of one hundred Dollars a month."

1928- Jan.11- Annual Dinner,Roll Call and Annual Meeting. There were 47 personal responses at the Roll Call and 18 letters read. 65 in all heard from. Report of the Treasurer. Receipts. Bal. Cash- General Fund-$ 49.49. Building Fund.$ 7.05. Members.coll. $ 1170.05. Subscriptions due 1926-$ 75.10. Interest on investments,$ 102.50. Loose Coll.$ 141.03. Missions coll.$ 483.56. Sunday School 0-$ 50.00. Easter offering,$ 24.04. Hudelson Home coll.$ 44.44. Missions,1926-$ 5.60. Communion coll.$ 26.89. Treasury over-drawn,$ 385.58. Disbursements. Rev.W.A.McClure, $ 500.00. Rev.M.L.Long,$ 250.00. Rev.W.Ray Cox,$ 300.00.Ministerial supply,$ 11.00. Janitor Mancell,$ 182..50. Electric light,$ 32.98. Repair of parsonage and new furnace,$ 298.81. Coal and hauling,$ 76.65. Taxes on parsonage,$ 14.46. Coll.envelopes and Treas.Record book,$ 15.01. Tornado insurance,$ 40.00. Fire insurance,$ 53.38. Publishing Bulletin $ 37.81,less $ 22.00 paid,$ 15.81. Church minutes,$ 4.00. Light bulbs,$ 1.46. Church "Cut" and post cards: $ 7.97. Anthem books,$ 5.22. Hotel expense, Supply,$ 3.50. Labor,$ 11.00. Expenses of Rev.Leitz at Annual meeting(1927) -$ 3.00. Hudelson Home,$ 44.44. Association Missions,$ 15.00. United Mission Budget,$ 575,09. Bal.due Bldg Fund, $ 7.05. Total $ 2565.33.-- C.E.Campbell elected clerk and

Chas.E.Drew,Treasurer. J.H.Truesdale,J.N.Barnes and Cleaver Strunk selected as Finance Com. C.E.Campbell,Otto Keirle and Lee Sutton elected Trustees for a term of five years. Vote of thanks to the women of the Church for the good work done by them. Voted "that the selection of Deaconesses be made by the Pastor and Deacons and the names presented to the Church first Sunday in February." Terms of Deacons and their expiration: J.H.Truesdale,1929; Lee Sutton,1930; Albert Barnes, 1931 and C.E.Drew,1932. Voted thanks to Mrs.Delmore Truesdale for gift of piano. Building Fund Acct: Receipts-$ 6694.97. Paid out. $ 6275.27. Bal.$ 419.70. Amount due from Church, $ 385.58. March 25,April 8,Feb,5-Additions to membership. July 29 and Oct.1- Selection of a pastor considered. A representative of the Anti-Saloon League spoke on the evening of April 22. Oct 14-After the morning service,at which Rev. W.E.Darrow of St.Louis preached, the Church convened in business session to considerextending Rev.Darrow a call to the pastorate. J.N.Barnes was chosen Moderator and Lee Sutton as Clerk. Prayer by J.H.Truesdale. An outline of Rev. Darrow and his work was given by J.H.Truesdale. After discussion a motion was made and seconded that a call be extended Rev.W.E.Darrow at a salary of $ 1200 .00 and parsonage,his services to begin as soon as possible. Carried unanimously." Oct.21- At the morning service,a letter was read from Rev.W.E. Darrow accepting the call to the pastorate of the Church." Rev. and Mrs. W.E.Darrow were received by letter from the Southwest Baptist Church,St.Louis. Nov.11.-Hand of fellowship extended Rev. and Mrs. W.E. Darrow by J.H.Truesdale at Communion service.

1929-Jan.16- Annual Roll Call and Business Meeting. Dinner served at Noon. There were 29 personal responses to Roll Call,28 by letter and 18 by proxy-total 75. Treasurer's Report. Receipts. Bal.in Treasury,Jan.1/28 -$ 34.12.Members, $ 1302.43.General plate coll.$ 187.73.Communion,$ 22.17. Missions,$ 450.90. Near-East coll.$ 6.96.Interest,$102.50. Special Meetings Coll.$ 165.73. Payments on New Bldg acct, $ 488.47. Repair acct.$ 6.00.Insurance.Wind damage to parsonage,$ 33.05 Total,$ 2800. Bal.$ 17.95. Total $ 2818.01. Paid out. Rev. W.R.Cox,$ 775.00. Rev.W.E.Darrow,$ 200.00. Supplies,$ 130.00. Repair acct-parsonage,$ 29.40. Loan, $ 500.00. Interest,$ 37.25. Hauling brick,$ 4.50. Painting, $ 35.00. Missions,$ 463.07. Near-East Coll.$ 6.96.Electric light,$ 30.26. Janitor,$ 187.50: Coal,$ 65.66. Parsonage tax, $ 20.04. Insurance on parsonage,$ 39.20. Kindig meetings, $ 165.73. Indidentals,$ 6.95. Electric light globes,$ 2.50. Coll.envelopes,$ 11.54. Association Minutes,$ 4.00.Cleaning parsonage yard,$ 9.50. Moving house effects of Pastor,$ 60.00. Total,$ 2818.01. New Building Fund. Bal.in fund,1/1/28. $ 419.70. Received $ 488.47. Total,$ 908.17. Paid out, $ 576.75. Bal.in treasury,$ 331.42. Sunday School: Av. att.91. Bal,Jan.1/28-$ 85.35. Received,$ 359.94. Paid - Christmas supplies,$ 4.11. Interest on bldg pledges,$ 20.00. Hudelson Home,$ 27.42. Pledge to new building and interest, $-102.50. Rally Day Supplies,$ 4.45.Christmas treat,$ 32.23. Picnic supplies,$ 19.60. Missions,$ 10.00 Supplies,$ 158.03. Total expense,$ 378.34. Bal.Jan.1/29-$ 6.95. Ladies' Aid Society, Received,$ 225.01. Paid out,$ 208.76. Voted in favor

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of monthly Bulletins, the Pastor to print them on his Mimeograph and the Church to pay for the actual cost of material and of postage, this at least for six months by way of trial. Voted to have Quarterly Business Meetings, three besides the Annual Meeting and these to be held the Wednesday evening following the first Sunday. On account of ill health C.E.Campbell resigned as clerk and Trustee. J.H.Truesdale elected Deacon; C.E. Drew, Treasurer and Mrs. Adrian Wilson as Clerk. Mrs. Cleaver Strunk elected pianist. J.H.Truesdale, J.N.Barnes and Lee Sutton selected as Finance Committee. Thanks voted to the Ladies' Aid, the Pastor, Mr. and Mrs. Drew for services rendered. Feb.3- Mr. and Mrs. Robert Golike received by letter. Feb.10- Voted in favor of the Volunteer Band, Carondelet Baptist Church, St.Louis, assisting the Pastor in Evangelistic meetings, beginning April 7. March 20- Voted to change the wording of the Memorial in memory of William T. and Matilda Heissner. Quarterly Business meeting in April to be changed to May 8th on account of Gospel meeting in progress. April 17- April 21-Additions to membership. On April 21 the Church extended the Volunteer Band a vote of thanks. May 8- Reports. Action on the death of Wm.Neil and of W.E.Slifer. Voted in favor of Evangelistic meetings the coming Fall. A men's organization in the Church favored. Also the organization of a "Young People's Council" to have general oversight of the young people's organizations in the church. An "Active" and "Inactive" membership list to be maintained; The Pastor was instructed to give the Hand of Fellowship to new members, according to the Church custom. Voted to change the Annual Business Meeting from January to the first Wednesday in May. Report of the Treasurer. Receipts. (Jan.1/29-April 30/29). Loose coll.$ 125.89. Communion, $ 7.10. Members,$ 453.94. Missions,$ 193.90. Ladies' Aid Socy,- $ for repair,$ 50.00. for Bulletins,$ 6.63. Interest on pledges, $ 26.13. Mrs. Ida McKinney, Special gift,$ 500.00. Total,$1363.59. Disbursements, Treasury over-drawn,$ 17.95. Rev. W.E.Darrow, Pastor,$ 400.00. Missions,$ 211.00. Janitor,$ 52.50. Electric light, $ 5.32. Loan,$ 102.40. Day book for Treas.$ 3.00. Rev. Darrow trip to Pastors' Retreat,$ 5.00. Mens' meeting in Jan.$ 8.00. Bulletins- $ 13.49. Insurance,$ 55.75. Taxes on parsonage,$ 20.59. Coal, $ 18.22. Song books,$ 10.00. Incidentals,$ 3.35. Volunteer Band, St.Louis,$ 50.00. Bal.in Treas.$ 387.01. Unpaid-Electric light,$ 1.08. Janitor,$ 12.50. Heating contract,$ 50.00. Painting contract,$ 40.00. Total,$ 103.58. Due Building Fund,$ 255.15 Sunday School: Receipts,$ Jan-March- Bal,Jan.1/29-$ 6.96. Reg.coll $ 63.74. Birthdays,$ 12.67. Banner,(offering from Teachers)- $ 3.25. Contest-Blues,$ 25.00 and Reds,$ 26.30. Total,$ 137.92. April-Reg.Coll.$ 19.32. Birthdays,$ .72. Contest,Reds,$ 13.51. Blues,$ 23.57. Total for April,$ 57.12. Paid out- $ 93.66. Bal.$ 101.38. B.Y.P.U. President, Mrs.Erma Truesdale, Miss Harriet Lee, Secy and Miss Gertrude Emery, Treas. Ladies' Aid Socy-On hand, Jan.1/29-$ 17.00. Received,$ 81.00. Expended,$97.09. Mrs.C.E.Drew, Pres.; Mrs.Isma Emery, Secy; Miss Nelle Bauser, Treas. August 14- Quarterly Meeting. Reports. Arrangements for the coming of Rev.F.M.Dunk to help in Special Meetings. Meetings held from Oct.30 -to Nov.17. Dec.4- Quarterly Meeting. Reports. (For membership changes during the year-see Membership List.)

1930- Feb.5-Quarterly Meeting. Reports. Missionary Budget pledge $ 400.00. Voted to pay Pastor's expenses to "Retreat" and to

ordination of Rev. W.D.Thomas at Roxana. April 20.- Close of Sunday morning Worship. "After Brother Drew explained the importance and plan of certain improvements to our Church building, it was moved by him and seconded by Brother J. Newton Barnes, that the improvements be made. The vote was unanimous in favor." "The improvements include the veneering with brick the old part of our church building, some changes in windows, installation of electric light fixtures, etc." Mrs. Ida McKinney to give the new chandelier for center of auditorium and baskets for side wall. May 7- Annual Dinner and Roll Call. There were 282 responses at Roll Call, 31 in person, 45 by proxy and 6 by letter. Reports. Treasurer's Report: Receipts. Bal. May 1/29-$ 387.01. Membership coll. $ 1316.94. Loose coll. $ 153.05. Interest (Special Funds) $ 102.50. Special Meetings (Dunk) -$ 146.87. Missions, $ 453.42. Communion, $ 17.50. Children's Day (S.S.) -$ 16.13. Hudelson Home, $ 37.67. Repair acct (Ladies' Aid) -$ 9.29. Repair acct (New Bldg Fund) $ 229.87. General Fund (New Building Fund) $ 218.47. New Bldg Fund-S.S. $ 200.00. B.Y.P.U. $ 25.00. Others, $ 110.00, Interest-$ 20.80. Total, $ 3444.52. Disbursements: Rev. W.E.Darrow, $ 1200.00. Janitor, $ 192.50. Electric light, $ 25.32. Association Missions, $ 50.00. Hudelson Home, $ 37.67. General Missions, $ 437.05. Special Meetings (Rev. Dunk) -$ 97.65. Expense of Special Meetings, $ 42,15. Bronze tablet, $ 40.62. Taxes on parsonage, $ 20.87. Insurance on ch. $ 53.55. Coll. envelopes, $ 12.07. Coal, $ 59.29. Material and labor on drain, chandelier, etc. $ 16.90. Minutes, $ 4.00. Miscellaneous, $ 41.50 New Building- Choir platform, $ 19.35. -Applied Repair acct. $ 229.87. Applied General Fund, $ 218.47. Bal. on hand, $ 643.26. Total, $ 3444.52. Bal. due Building fund-$ 643.26. Two accts -unpaid-bring the bal. to $ 553.26. available for building purposes. Pledges for building purposes yet unpaid, $ 175.00. Sunday School: Bal. on hand, May 1/29-$ 101.38. Reg. collection, $ 239.73, Birthday, $ 42,69. Other, $ 172.28. Total, $ 556.08. Paid out- Supplies, $ 138.37. Pledges to church building-Notes and interest-$ 205.75. Interest on notes, $ 5.00. Hudelson Home, $ 64.51. Children's Day (Pub. Socy) $ 16.13. Primary chairs, $ 22.39. Other, $ 64.41. Total, $ 516.56. Bal. $ 39.52. Ladies' Aid Society, Receipts, $ 143.73. Expenditures-$ 100.54. (Hudelson Home, $ 35.00; Bulletins, $ 28.20; Parsonage shades, $7.57 and other). Bal. $ 43.19. Elections: Clerk, Miss Anna Gosch; Treasurer, $ C.E.Drew; Deacon, Leo Sutton (four years); Pianist, Mrs. Cleaver Strunk. Finance Com. J.H.Tuesdale, J.N.Barnes and Lee Sutton. Voted a letter of appreciation to Mrs. Ida McKinney. (The vote of thanks at the Meeting in Jan. 1929 was for fireplace basket given by Mr, and Mrs. C.E.Drew; for window shades from Ladies' Aid Socy; for lunch served the men at their meeting and for Bible from the Pastor). Voted the pastor a two Sundays vacation in July. Pastor and Deacons to arrange for 90th anniversary celebration in January. Special Meetings to be held in Sept and October, Rev. H.L.Sparks of East Alton as helper.

Mrs. Ida McKinney gave new pews, costing $ 1000.00. She also gave a beautiful carpet for auditorium. Other offerings by others toward the improvement of our church building. Our Morning Worship on Sunday, November 23 was appropriate to our improved building. Miss Emily Baird passed away July 6 and C.E.Campbell, Nov. 5. (See Membership list for membership changes).

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